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Cession of the Fortress of Konigstein to Prussia.

Treaty of Alliance Between Prussia and the Other German States.

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Napoleon's Shabby Conduct Toward Maximilian.

The Eastern Question--England Growing Belligerent.

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BY OCEAN TELEGRAPH.

THE AMERICAN FLEET.

PARIS, Wednesday, Oct. 24.

The iron-clad *Miantonomoh* and the *Augusta* have joined the *Colorado* and *Frolic* at Cherbourg.

PRUSSIA.

BERLIN, Wednesday, Oct. 24.

The Castle of Königstein, on the Elbe, was ceded to Prussia to-day.

The electoral law, recently passed by Parliament, and the treaty of alliance with the German States, were promulgated to-day.

FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL

Liverpool Cotton Market.

LIVERPOOL, Wednesday, Oct. 24.—Noon.

The Cotton Market is somewhat easier, and prices have declined 1-4d. for American grades. The sales to-day foot up 7,000 bales. Middling Uplands, 15d.

London Money Market.

LONDON, Wednesday, Oct. 24.—Noon.

The Money Market is quiet. Consols, 89¼.

American Securities.

LONDON, Wednesday, Oct. 24—Noon.

The following are the current rates for American securities:

Erics	50¼
Illinois Centrals	77¾
Five-Twenties	69¼

MARINE NEWS.

Arrivals Out.

LIVERPOOL, Wednesday, Oct. 24—Noon.

The steamer *Luzon*, from New-Orleans Sept. 30, and the ship *Thornton*, from New-York Sept. 25, arrived here to-day.

FOREIGN NEWS BY MAIL.

The mails by the steamship *China* reached this City last evening. In the letters of our correspondents and our extracts from foreign papers will be found an interesting summary of the political situation in Europe.

FRANCE.

The Illness of the Princess Charlotte—No Sympathy for Napoleon—How His Failure to Support Maximilian is Viewed—An Iron Bauble—The Great Exhibition.

From Our Own Correspondent.

PARIS, Friday, Oct. 12, 1866.

The indisposition of the Empress CHARLOTTE, of Mexico, has caused a painful impression on the mind of everyone. It is true that it was she more than her husband who was in favor of the quixotic adventure; it was she who determined MAXIMILIAN upon trying his fortune in Mexico. But they went there at the invitation and under the powerful protection of the French Government, and upon the strength of promises made by NAPOLEON and the agents of the rebellion. The rebellion has failed, and is, therefore, unable to offer any aid, and now NAPOLEON also, the principal actor, has failed. The result is that while there is sympathy felt for the courageous wife of MAXIMILIAN, there is none for NAPOLEON. In fact many people express their opinion of the Emperor's conduct in this business with an energy I would not dare put on paper. The sum total of these expressions may be condensed thus: "He led into a bad scrape a willing and well-meaning young man, who had every title to honorable treatment, and then abandoned him." If ever there was a case of violation of the point of honor, it is here. When Marshal FOREY returned from Mexico he told the Emperor, and afterward declared publicly in the Senate, that it would require 50,000 men and a great many years' time to accomplish the object for which they went to Mexico. And this was the exact truth; the Marshal understood the question. But how did the Emperor respond to this, and what was his duty in the premises? To fulfill his promises to MAXIMILIAN he should have followed out the programme of Marshal FOREY, even at the expense of a war with the United States, or he should have instructed MAXIMILIAN at once to abdicate. Instead of that, he adopted the extremely undignified policy of allowing the new Empire to drag out a miserable existence and to die at last a slow death. By this policy he has allowed every one else connected with the enterprise to lose their dignity, for, from MAXIMILIAN down, all the backers of the concern have been obliged to puff and blow and falsify, like so many charlatans on the public place trying to get customers for their damaged goods. Even the granddaughter of LOUIS PHILLIPPE has been obliged to come to the Tuileries to humbly beg for aid, and has had to go away without it.

NAPOLEON'S FIX.

Of course, we in America know that NAPOLEON cannot, if he would, support his *protégé* on the throne of Mexico; but with the correct information he had from the returned officers of his army, whose opinions all coincided with Gen. FOREY'S, he ought, out of respect to MAXIMILIAN and his wife, out of respect to the suffering Mexican people, and out of respect to his own people, who continue to engage their money and goods in Mexico, to have signified to MAXIMILIAN the necessity of an abdication, instead of, on the contrary, almost maintaining him there against his will.

WHAT THE PEOPLE DEMAND.

At the present moment the papers demand that in the month of November, instead of the first contingent only of the army evacuating Mexico, that the whole army shall evacuate at once, and MAXIMILIAN with it, if he sees fit. As regards the Mexican bonds, they demand that the interest of the holders shall be looked after in any way which will not engage the State Treasury, and then that the disagreeable subject shall be dropped forever.

A SINGULAR ENDING.

Is it not curious, however, that an Empress who commenced her Imperial career by loud praises of her dear and devoted subjects, should finish in so short a time by seeing in every individual around her and in every phenomenon of the air a vile Mexican handing her a cup of poison; and, on the other hand, that a man of the rank of the Emperor NAPOLEON should play such a shabby trick as that he has played on poor MAXIMILIAN? Verily the whole shabby business is coming to a fitting end.

AN IRON BAUBLE.

The Italians continue to send to us by telegraph an item of intelligence to which they appear to attach great importance, that is, the promised rendition by Austria of the iron crown of Lombardy. If something was wanting to shake one's confidence in the spirit of progress of the new nation, surely this reverence for a band of rusty iron would furnish the want. It will require something more than this useless souvenir to put into the nation the backbone it is going to require. It is difficult, indeed, to understand how the free Italy of to-day can find anything to cling to in this memento of times of feudalism and subserviency. At Paris we have loads of those things preserved at the Louvre, the Hotel de Cluny, and elsewhere; but the philosophical French treat them as they do any other curiosity—at their proper value as curiosities and nothing more.

THE EXHIBITION.

The agriculturalists of the United States, or rather the owners of agricultural machines, who intend to be represented at the Great Exhibition of Paris next year, need not fear but that their inventions will find ample arrangements for their development before the public, for the Government has just secured for this purpose the large island of Billaincourt in the Seine, just below the Champ de Mars, where extensive preparations in the way of shedding and motive power are to be at once made. I speak here of this, because it is in this department especially that our people will carry off all the honors, if they have a fair chance, and this the French will no doubt afford them. But especially don't forget the *cheap, useful things for poor people*—a category which don't exist in France, as we understand it. MALAKOFF.

France and Mexico—Necessity of Withdrawing the French Troops at Once.

The intelligence of late received from Mexico appears to the Paris *Liberté* so grave and so unfavorable as to lead it to impress on the French Government the absolute necessity of *ending the expedition to that country with all possible rapidity.* There is no use, the writer observes, in shutting one's eyes to the fact that the Mexican Empire is approaching its last days. Therefore, what is called for *is not to prolong the agony of an expiring Government, but to promptly terminate an unfortunate enterprise.* That France should have added other sacrifices to those originally determined on, in the hope of bringing to a successful termination an expedition which ought never to have been commenced, the *Liberté* can well comprehend; but if it can be clearly demonstrated at present that, in order to really found and establish the Mexican Empire, France would have to afford MAXIMILIAN the cooperation of 50,000 men, to guarantee a loan of 50 millions of francs, and to brave the risk of a war with the United States—if also it is certain that France cannot possibly consent to such sacrifices, surely the very best course to pursue is to end the whole affair by one determined act. Then, says the *Liberté* of the 11th inst.:

"The first thing to do in order to render the question clear, is to allow the abdication of MAXIMILIAN to take place. In that matter, we believe, there will be no difficulties. It was not without hesitation that the Archduke accepted the crown of Mexico, and we feel convinced that he will see nothing to regret in resigning a power which he rather submitted to than solicited. He will feel that his ignorance of the state of the country will absolve him in the judgment of his ory from the reproach of having accepted a mission which it was impossible to fulfill. The abdication of MAXIMILIAN being accomplished, France would find herself with reference to Mexico in the position which she held before the vote of the notables electing the Austrian Archduke, that is to say, she will find herself in face of an enemy with whom she will have to treat for the best conditions possible to be obtained. She will take good care not to replace a Government for which she is responsible by another for which she would be equally responsible, and she will treat with JUAREZ simply because it is he who is fighting us, and because it is by his reestablishment that we shall disengage ourselves the most entirely from Mexican affairs. But will JUAREZ grant us by treaty all the conditions we would desire to obtain? That is uncertain, but what is evident is that JUAREZ, the patriotism of whom can scarcely be denied, will purchase the evacuation of Mexico at the price of the largest concessions. Is it equally certain that the conditions accepted by him will be strictly observed by Mexico? Unhappily, no. But as it would be the same, no matter with what Government, it is the better to treat with the one which has the greatest chance of duration. What JUAREZ can guarantee in any case, and what he alone will have sufficient interest to secure, will be respect for the lives of our countrymen, and at present that is the only important point. That the expedition to Mexico has caused a loss of money, and has also proved a political check, is unhappily beyond doubt; and there is no possibility of helping it. But at least we must not present to the world the spectacle of an expedition undertaken to protect our countrymen, and ending in a massacre of Frenchmen. That would be, of all the checks we have received, the gravest and the most afflicting. It is almost the only one left us to undergo, and it is the only one which we must endeavor to avoid. *Victorious over the Mexicans wherever we have met them, we are not bound to remain in Mexico except by our duties toward Maximilian.* Let him abdicate, and we at once recover all our liberty of action, and our only case thenceforth will be that which formed the original official motive for the expedition—the protection of our countrymen. *But what is above all necessary, is a prompt decision to put an end to the crisis.*"

Conspiracy Against the Life of Louis Napoleon.

Berlin (Oct. 8) Correspondence of the London Times.

We all remember those days of anxiety in the beginning of July, when the Emperor NAPOLEON, having been appealed to by a defeated Kaiser, hesitated as to the course he should pursue. We all felt it a great relief when, determining for neutrality, he promoted the speedy restoration of peace, instead of plunging Europe into prolonged war, as he was requested. His motives have since been candidly explained by himself, and their wisdom and sagacity universally appreciated. If I do not apprehend it will prejudice His Majesty in the opinion of the world when I say that, in addition to the more public and political reasons which actuated him on that memorable occasion, he was influenced by a piece of private and highly interesting intelligence communicated to him about that time. On the 6th of July the Grand Duke of Saxe Weimar was in a position to advise NAPOLEON III. of the existence of an Italian conspiracy, consisting of a number of young men who had sworn to take his life were the recovery of Venice prevented by his interference. The investigations immediately set on foot by the secret police of France confirmed the statement volunteered by the Weimar potentate. My informant supposes, but is not certain, that the latter derived his knowledge from persons of high trust at this court.

ENGLAND.

The Greek Insurrection --- England Growing Belligerent---England will Fight for Egypt---Reports from Russia---American Orators at the Social Science Congress---British Sympathy ---American Bishops at the Church Congress---English Morality --- A Lord in Limbo.

From Our Own Correspondent.

LONDON, Saturday, Oct. 13, 1866.

I give you joy of all the exciting telegrams you must have had for some time past on the uprising of the Greeks. They may have stirred anew the old sympathy felt in America for Christians oppressed by Mohammedans. The only difficulty has been that most of the dispatches were false; that the insurrection was a mistake; that neither Russia, nor England, nor France was ready to aid the Greeks in a struggle for liberty, and that the Candiotes, surrounded at sea and over-matched on land, have nothing to do but surrender. Greece cannot help the Greeks. The King can scarcely protect himself from brigands in his own territories. England, well enough disposed, is not ready just now to help anybody but the Canadians. Ships are waiting for sailors. Soldiers are scarce enough, but those we have are waiting for guns. When the English rifles are all converted into breech-loaders we shall still want a new one, better than any yet presented. Where is the Yankee to invent it?—only, if he has to deal with British red tape, let him be tough, and take warning of poor Mr. SNYDER. It must be said, however, that the present Government shows more promptness and energy than the last. Since the experiments at Fortress Monroe, the system of building fortresses has been changed, and the forts are to be built of iron, and not merely faced with it.

To return to the Greeks. The English will do nothing to diminish the power of Turkey, not that they care for the Turks, but that Turkey is the buffer that keeps off Russia. If, however, Russia, Prussia, Austria and France choose to take possession of Turkey in Europe, England will not oppose them—a prudent resolution; but the *Times* says they will fight tooth and nail for Egypt and the overland route to India. In no case can it be abandoned. So Turkish and Egyptian iron-clads are being built in England, and loans are forthcoming.

RUSSIA AND THE EASTERN QUESTION.

I have believed that Russia was nearly ready to bring this Eastern question to a solution, but if the following statement can be relied upon, the internal condition of the country will prevent such action. A correspondent of the *Pall Mall Gazette* writes from St. Petersburgh that "fourteen Governments in the centre of Russia, representing a population of twenty-five millions of inhabitants, are almost without any food for man or beast. This result is not due to any calamity, for the crops have been satisfactory, but to the inertness and negligence of the peasantry, who, having no one to urge them to work, have given themselves up to their besetting vice of drunkenness." Other districts are said to be in a better condition, though oppressed and discontented. I do not put too much faith in these reports.

SOCIAL SCIENCE.

The Social Science Congress, which the critics say is not a congress and not scientific, but only a social gathering or huge *conversazione*, has finished its discussions. Beside the discussion of a great variety of social and sanitary questions, and the reading of some very valuable papers, they inaugurated a Cobden testimonial, and held a workingmen's meeting, at which speeches were made by two distinguished American delegates, Gen. NEAL DOW, the advocate of the Maine Law in England, and D. D. FIELD, Esq., the advocate of legal reform. Major-Gen. NEAL DOW got into a little difficulty. He told the workingmen that they were very different from the workingmen in America, which was true enough, but not exactly complimentary. Then he thanked them for their sympathy with the North in the war, and said "it was largely due to them that his countrymen were willing to forget that gigantic treason which had been stimulated, encouraged and inspired in this country." The signs of disapprobation, groans, hisses, &c., had by this time come to such a storm that the gallant Major-General had to stop speaking. Mr. DUDLEY FIELD also "came forward with pleasure to give the thanks of his countrymen for what was done for them in their agony." But Mr. FIELD got into the same difficulty, and found that his audience of workingmen was not as all unanimous.

The fact is, both these gentlemen made a mistake. The English almost universally sympathized with the Americans "in their agony"—but not all on one side. And as the Americans were divided, how could it be expected that these English sympathizers should be united? The English were never more interested in any contest in which they did not take an active part, than in the late war in America, but when Englishmen are divided into different parties in their own affairs, in politics, religion, and every possible subject, how can any one reasonably expect them to be all of one opinion or feeling respecting a civil war in America, in which the Americans were divided, North and South, and in the North and South as well? Had the meeting at Manchester been called expressly to sympathize with one party, the speakers would probably have met with no opposition. The mistake was in introducing the subject in a general meeting in which every other man might be of a different opinion.

AMERICAN BISHOPS AT THE CHURCH CONGRESS.

The Church Congress at York, so far as the attendance is concerned, is a great success. There are 2,500 members, including three American Bishops—Pennsylvania, North Carolina and Illinois—who were received with great cordiality. The opening service at the Cathedral was a scene of crowding and confusion truly English, and which prevails at all considerable gatherings, from Court drawing-rooms to country fairs, arising from a national incapacity for order and organization, or an utter want of good manners or decent regard for the rights and comfort of others, so that in the Cathedral, in the Queen's Palace, in the Houses of Parliament, at the doors of theatres—everywhere, in short, where a crowd assembles, the blind and barbarous selfishness of blundering John Bull makes him elbow, crowd, crush, and perhaps trample upon his neighbor. From Bishops and Peers—lords spiritual and lords temporal—through all classes down to the great unwashed mob, no one is safe from personal outrage, and there is always more or less danger.

On this occasion, a religious service at the York Minster "the mob—well dressed for the most part, but none the less a mob for that—pushed, and struggled, and fought, and swayed backward and forward; dresses were torn, hats crushed, ladies fainted, and so the contest went on for half an hour. The fight to get the Archbishop to his throne was the Malakoff of the affair; but a forlorn hope of desperate chaplains forced a passage, inch by inch, and the whole archiepiscopal party was at length safely ensconced in their glass-case, leaving the baffled mob outside to rage together as furiously as they pleased."

At a subsequent meeting the Bishop of Pennsylvania spoke, you will be happy to hear, "without the slightest trace of Americanism in manner or accent." The American Bishops, we are also told, are much more important personages than their English brethren, being Bishops not of one or a few counties, but of entire sovereign States. "England," said the Bishop of Pennsylvania, "is not only the mother of nations, but the mother of churches. We are, ecclesiastically speaking, the great-grandchildren of the Archbishops of Canterbury and York;" and then he said the Atlantic Telegraph was no circumstance to the bond of sympathy that united the churches of England and America, a sentiment which was greatly applauded. The Bishop of North Carolina went further. The Church, he said, was the only bond of union between the North and South and between England and America, and had there been a proper connection between the English and Colonial Church, there would have been no revolution, but only in process of time a peaceful separation. Both the Bishops were cheered with hearty good-will by the whole assembly.

ECCLESIASTICAL ART.

The Ecclesiastical Art Exhibition is a great feature of the Congress, and is large and magnificent. The vestments, &c., loaned by different churches are valued at more than $50,000 besides the articles exhibited by different manufacturers. Some of the vestments are extremely gorgeous, made of the richest silk and velvet, with elaborate embroidery, and studded in profusion with diamonds and other precious stones. One chasuble, for material and embroidery alone, without jewels, is valued at $1,100. The vestments from Brighton are of the most gorgeous character. Over the mantel-piece is a very curious crucifix, the property of Lady SEWELL, containing a fragment of the true Cross, relics of the twelve Apostles, and thirty-six Saints of the Western Church. You may rub your eyes if you like, but this is not Rome or Naples, but York, England, and this is an exhibition of the Anglican Church.

At one of the sessions of this Congress an eminent low church lawyer was the object of a ritualistic manifestation of a very significant character. On rising to speak he was met with cries of "No, no," "Retire," "No blasphemy," &c., and finally a large number of clergymen left the room, while others listened very impatiently. The offence of the lawyer, who is a Q. C. practicing in the Ecclesiastical courts, was that he had applied the name of "grog" to the mixed chalice used by the high church clergy.

THE REFORM QUESTION.

The Reform Party—Parliamentary—the party of RUSSELL and GLADSTONE—evidently fears that the Conservatives will bring in a bill which will be accepted and passed. This would be a great calamity to those who have been turned out of office and would be glad to get in again. They declare that no such bill must be accepted—it will be a fraud—it cannot satisfy the nation. If the Conservatives are half as shrewd as men so long in the opposition ought to be, they will bring in a bill so broad, so generous, so comprehensive and so just that the nation will be compelled to take it, and to be satisfied with it, until the progress of education has brought up another rank fit to take a share in the Government of the country. Four-fifths of the members of Parliament are ready to pass a reasonable and generous Reform bill—the Tories as well as the Whigs. Nine-tenths will vote against any such measure as that demanded by the League and the resolutions passed without discussion or consideration at their meetings. I take our world-renowned friend, Mr. BASS, a middle-class Englishman of sound opinions and sound beer, to be a fair average member of Parliament; and Mr. BASS says: "Unfair and unwise as I regard the present restricted franchise, I would rather a thousand times stick where we are than resort to manhood suffrage to cure our political complaints."

Men like Mr. BASS, and other makers and drinkers of good beer, are not convinced by great meetings, and, what is more, they are not frightened by them. And Mr. BRIGHT and the newspapers most earnest for reform see that the present agitation is a failure, unless it can enlist the middle classes of England in its favor. So far the middle classes stand aloof. When you see such a meeting as that at Leeds, attended not by Mr. BRIGHT and Mr. FORSTER, but by twenty leading members of Parliament, there will be some hope of the success of the movement.

LACK OF POPULAR EDUCATION.

Sir JOHN PAKINGTON hit the nail on the head in a speech this week on some by-me-forgotten occasion. The disgrace of England is not the lack of suffrage, but the lack of education. One-third of all the children of England are growing up without any schooling—even the most indifferent. Another third gets the merest smattering of rudiments, which are soon forgotten. This ignorance makes self-government, where it exists, a failure. Local self-government in England, as a rule, is simply abominable, and worse than any decent despotism. This very want of education proves it. It is at once a cause and a consequence. The ignorant man knows no better than to be satisfied with his ignorance, and to perpetuate it in his children. With such men votes are merchandise, valued for what they will bring in hard cash. The inefficiency and utter break-down of local self-government in London is so notorious that men are praying for one whiff of despotism to scatter it all. The self-government of ignorance and vice must be ignorant and vicious. As I might be suspected of some American prejudices, let me copy a few lines from my last night's *Pall Mall Gazette*, on English lower class morality, as connected with the marriage question. They are in some strictures on an attack by the Dean of Carlisle on marriages before a magistrate, which the Dean thought an immoral proceeding. The *Pall Mall Gazette* says:

"The vast majority of the poor have no practical connection with any religious body whatsoever. Church and chapel are places almost as strange to them as royal palaces or Belgravian drawing-rooms. Their agreements to live together as man and wife, either for life or while the arrangement may be convenient to both parties, are merely a portion of that half-barbarian and wholly non-Christian existence which is their normal state. Anything that makes marriage cheap, informal and requiring as little contact as possible with "gentility" in any shape, is a clear inducement to them to substitute a legal contract for that illicit partnership which, as things now are, is the highest step of a formidable portion of the lower strata of English life. . . . There is no more notorious thing in the history of the English poor than the fact that an immense number of young women are in the way to become mothers before marriage is definitely agreed upon, or even contemplated."

CRUELTY TO ANIMALS.

Almost every day the agents of the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals bring up persons—cabmen, cattle drivers, &c.—for flogging horses, or tormenting other beasts. The Magistrates are usually severe on these offences, condemning the men to imprisonment without the option of a fine; but even Magistrates must be considerate, for a few days ago they had a Lord before them for the same offence—Lord RUSSELL, brother of the Earl. Fourteen days imprisonment, with hard labor, would never do for a Lord, so the Magistrates inflicted a fine, and the noble Lord threatened, the next time he saw them in the streets, to drive over them. This will be a caution to all Magistrates how they sentence cabmen and costermongers for offences which may be committed by Viscounts and Earls.

ALMOST CIVIL WAR.

Some trades' unionists have blown up a house in Sheffield with gunpowder, and nearly killed a whole family. In the North there is a fear of bloody conflicts resulting from the long strike in the iron trade. A Catholic clergyman, for preaching against the strike, which is starving his congregation, has been threatened with assassination. The contest between capital and labor takes the proportions and almost the character of a civil war. The labor question is a real danger, and one very difficult to meet.

AMUSEMENTS.

The theatres are all in full blast, from high and deep tragedy at Drury-lane to the deep domestic at the Victoria, and the roaring fun of the burlesques at the Strand and Prince of Wales. The managers, playwrights, scene painters, machinists and "everybody" are busy with the forthcoming Christmas pantomimes, which are as regular and quite as substantial institutions as Queen, Lords and Commons. We have fifty thousand people to amuse every night in what the *Times* calls this "largest, richest and nastiest city in the world." The weather just now is delightful; soft, sunny, hazy Indian Summer days and clear, starry nights. It is comfortable with a fire, and not uncomfortable without it; and on the whole, for those who are well off, and who can forget those who are not, England, and even London in this dull season, is a very good place to live in, to lend and to spend and to give in. I like London and England, and the English, slow and plodding and obstinate as they are. After all, they are our own flesh and blood, as Mr. GLADSTONE says, and we sharp, and smart and clever Americans must not be too hard on our ancestors and their posterity who had not the good fortune to emigrate or be transported to our side of the Atlantic. MONADNOCK.

AMERICAN TOPICS.

English Views of Our Late Congressional Elections.

The London *Times* of the 13th, in recording the Radical successes in Pennsylvania and Ohio, thinks that President JOHNSON will be powerless so far as carrying out any policy opposed to that of Congress is concerned. The *Times* thinks it for the interest of all parties to bring the hard-fought contest to a close. Of the President it says:

"The services which Mr. JOHNSON has rendered to the country during his term of office have been of the highest worth, and we believe that among what may be called the moderate Radicals there is no disposition to question them. During the first months of his unexpected Presidency he simply carried out the policy of his unfortunate predecessor. Mr. SEWARD was the adviser, one might say the guide of Mr. LINCOLN; he knew what the late President's purposes were, for he had, to a great extent, formed them himself, and in filling the highest place in both the present and the former Cabinet he showed that the prevalent spirit in each was the same. *The power of the President has been used with the greatest effect to lessen the inevitable bitterness of conquest.* Those who had fought so long and fiercely laid down their arms with less humiliation when they found that there were moderation and manliness at Washington. We believe that the benefits which the President has conferred on their country by their treatment of the vanquished Confederates *have been great beyond all estimation*, and that when the storms of this party warfare are over all men will acknowledge it. For a time it hung in the balance whether or not a terrific proscription should rage in the South. The Chief of the Executive would have had law and precedent to justify him if he had hanged and confiscated in all directions. European Governments, even the most civilized, had never scrupled to punish traitors with death and forfeiture; the most humane moralists had only demanded that the followers should not share the fate of the ringleaders. As to the lands and goods of rebels, Congress had actually declared them to be forfeited, and no sooner were the Federal armies in occupation than some of the military leaders showed that they were not inclined to leave the act a dead letter. The Radical orators in the North were crying out for blood. Another set, with more interested motives, were moving for the plunder of the wealthy Confederates. President JOHNSON, *with a nobility and courage which will bring him honor when his failings are forgotten, stood between the Southern people and a proscription which might, perhaps, have once more driven them to arms to wage a war, not for independence, but for revenge.* The zealots of the extreme party cried out as loudly then as now, but the good sense of the nation soon showed it that mercy and generosity were the best of policies. Acts of retaliation were avoided which would have filled every man, woman and child in the South with undying enmity against the Northern people. The prospect at the present time, indeed, is not very bright. We who know from the example of Ireland how national or sectional hatreds are handed down from father to son, and how difficult it is to conciliate those whom our ancestors estranged, may be excused for believing that many difficulties may be in store for the United States. The Southern people are sore at their humiliations, and it is hard to suppose that a large part of them are not disaffected toward a rule which is exercised by the party antagonistic to them. But so far as they have been conciliated—so far as they are likely to bring up their children as good citizens, attached to the Union and its institutions, it will be the work of the men who have wielded the executive power of the United States since the war.

Mr. JOHNSON has, however, for the most part fulfilled his task. Life and property in the South are safe, and, except as regards the negroes, the right of self-government is recognized. The present conflict is mainly as to the representation in Congress, and on this the verdict of the North, which is practically the whole country, has been given against the President. We think he may now fairly yield, the more as the chief question is one of electoral reform, which is especially within the jurisdiction of Congress. A part of the Constitutional Amendment seems not unreasonable. The Radicals do not for the present demand the institution of negro suffrage throughout the Union, but they claim that where negroes are excluded they shall no longer be counted as a part of the population. It is probable that after the present elections the Republican Party will demand negro suffrage, pure and simple, as the condition of the admission of a State to Congress. But that is in the future; for the present the demand is that the members shall be in proportion to the voting population, and as the principle is in itself not unjust, and as it is plainly upheld by the majority of the people, we think the President will do wisely to oppose it no longer.

But the real sting of the Constitutional Amendment lies not in the suffrage clause, but in that which disqualifies for office all who have had any share in the rebellion. It is evident that this is simply the abolition of self-government in the Southern States for a generation. Every man of education and position in the whole South took part in the rebellion, and to disqualify these, from Gen. LEE down to the drummers of the Confederate army, from Mr. DAVIS' Cabinet down to the clerks in their offices, is simply to subject the Southern people to the administration of strangers or negroes, and to force them to send men to Congress who will do anything but speak for them. If this obnoxious and, it seems to us, useless clause were expunged, the Constitutional Amendment might be accepted by the South without much ado. We should be glad to hear that some such compromise had been made. The policy of exclusion from office and of governing a people by an insignificant and hated minority has been tried in more than one district of Europe, and the end of it has always been a misery and a curse. The only result in America would be to envenom still further the hearts of the late Confederates, and, as not even Mr. THADDEUS STEVENS and Mr. WENDELL PHILLIPS propose to exterminate the whole Southern people, it will be as well to leave them alone, and let who will be Governor or Congressman, Judge or Mayor. But, whatever the resolution of Congress, we sincerely hope that no worse conflict than one of words and votes will follow at Washington. There are people who believe that the President and Congress are about to come to open war. The President will defy Congress, and Congress will impeach the President. Mr. JOHNSON will declare that Congress as it exists at present is not Congress at all, that it is a mere "rump," since it only represents twenty-six States, and prevents a portion of its members from taking their seats in their respective Houses. He will accordingly consider the supreme power of the Union as devolving on him, and either disperse the truncated Legislature, and carry on affairs without it, or introduce the Southern members to their seats by force. On the other hand, Congress will impeach the President, take executive power into its hands, and as soon as possible elect a new magistrate. That these things are not expected to come to pass without an appeal to other than moral force is evident from the speculations on the respective dispositions of the regular army and the volunteers. Such are the speculations which occupy men's minds at present. We are not inclined to believe that things will be carried so far. American politicians are shrewd, and they know how to bear a defeat as well as how to employ a victory. *The habit of yielding to the will of the majority when it has once been determined is so ingrained in their character that they are not likely to struggle for a cause merely to show themselves consistent.* It is not improbable that the present storm will rapidly and completely pass away, like those others which have threatened the peace of the Union.

Our Minister to France.

Paris (Oct. 10) Correspondence of the London Times.

You are aware that Mr. BIGELOW is to leave the United States Legation at Paris and to be succeeded by Gen. DIX, of whom I hear a good report from a very competent and impartial source. Mr. BIGELOW will be regretted here. He has been now for five years in Paris—first as Consul, afterward as Minister—and he is generally esteemed. The *Debats* pays him the following deserved tribute:

"Charged to represent his country at the moment when it was still torn by civil war, subsequently mixed up in the difficult negotiations occasioned by our occupation of Mexico, M. BIGELOW has passed through difficult circumstances, and never did a diplomatic post less resemble a sinecure; but he was better fitted than most people for this delicate situation, because he combined with love of his country an exact knowledge of ours, and sincere sympathy with France. Nevertheless, after so prolonged a stay in Europe, M. BIGELOW felt a very natural desire to revisit his own country, transformed by such considerable events, and in July last he begged the President to give him a successor before Autumn should be over. That successor is now named. Gen. DIX played an honorable part in the civil war, and we hope, in the interest both of France and of the United States, that he will worthily replace the excellent and truly distinguished man who now leaves us."

Telegram from President Johnson.

At the monthly meeting of the Council of the Liverpool Chamber of Commerce on the 10th inst., a telegram was read which had been received in answer to the message forwarded to President JOHNSON on the night of the Liverpool banquet to the layers of the Atlantic Cable. The message is addressed by Mr. SEWARD, from Washington, to Capt. HAMILTON, and is to the following effect:

"The President of the United States reciprocates the friendly congratulations of the banquet at Liverpool, and trusts that the people of Great Britain and America may henceforth and forever remember that in the history of human progress they will be held to have been not alien and hostile Powers, but kindred nations, springing from one root, and portions of one race, extending the common principles of liberty and humanity."

THE PRINCESS CHARLOTTE.

The Rumors Concerning Her Health—Her Dread of Being Poisoned.

A letter from Rome, in the *Gazette du Midi*, gives some further details respecting the Princess CHARLOTTE. After stating that in a first interview with the Sovereign Pontiff the Princess discussed with great earnestness the question of a Concordat with Mexico, and insisted with much pertinacity on obtaining from the Holy Father concessions which he deemed inadmissible, the letter says:

"The Empress would not yield to the arguments, supremely wise and equitable, with which the Holy Father met her demands; she would continue disputing with him, and persisted with an incredible obstinacy. In short, the rupture between the Holy See and Mexico, in spite of all the ability and tenacity of purpose displayed by the Empress, is now more complete than before. Her Majesty, however, is not so deserving of blame as might appear; all that was irregular and eccentric in her conduct toward the Holy Father must be attributed to the nervous excitement from which she has suffered so long and which frequently disturbs her reason. She went at last one morning at 9 o'clock to the Pope without any previous announcement; she declared to him that she was the object of an atrocious persecution; that there were designs on her life; that an attempt had been made to poison her at the Hotel de Rome; that she did not believe herself safe, and could not dine there. The Holy Father received her with quite paternal kindness, tranquillized and reassured her, and ordered that dinner should be served for her in the library of the Vatican, where she passed the rest of the day. In the evening an endeavor was made to get her to return to the hotel, but she refused, constantly repeating that she was followed by assassins, and that she believed herself safe nowhere except in the Vatican. Her mind then again wandered, and she even objected to swallow a glass of water, fearing danger. The Pope then ordered an apartment to be prepared for her in his palace, where she passed the night and the following day. She was still there, not being willing to quit the Vatican, imagining that she saw murderers everywhere, ready to take her life. Several foreign ladies were invited to pass the night with her, as she had sent away her ladies of honor, whom she would not allow to come near her. The paroxysm of aberration appears to have been determined by dispatches received that morning."

On the same subject a Paris letter in the *Nouvelliste de Rouen* has the following:

"According to letters from Rome from a trustworthy authority, her Mexican Majesty is suffering from great nervous excitement, but which in nowise excludes the exercise of her reasoning faculties. The agitation is manifested each time that there is any question of Mexico or that Mexicans are in presence of her Majesty. It is a crisis which above all requires both bodily and mental calm."

THE PEACE.

The Treaty of Peace Between Austria and Italy.

The Florence *Gazette* publishes the following summary of the treaty of peace between Austria and Italy:

"From the date of the exchange of ratifications of the treaty, there shall be perpetual peace and amity between His Majesty the King of Italy and His Majesty the Emperor of Austria, their heirs and successors, their States and their subjects.

The condition agreed to at Cormons for the reciprocal restitution of prisoners of war.

The Emperor of the French having, by the treaty of Vienna of the 24th of August, declared that in so far as he was concerned Venetia passed to Italy, his Majesty the Emperor of Austria consents to the union of Venetia to Italy in the form arranged by the Austro-French treaty above mentioned. The frontiers of the Venetian provinces ceded to Italy are the administrative frontiers of the said provinces under the Austrian rule. A military commission appointed by the high contracting parties shall be charged with the marking out of the boundary line as speedily as possible. The territories which are still occupied by the Royal and Imperial troops by virtue of the armistice of the 12th of August shall be evacuated by the said troops after the ratification of peace, and the said troops shall immediately withdraw beyond the limits previously defined. The Government of His Majesty the King of Italy assumes the charge of a portion of the debt attaching to the territories ceded by the present treaty, which is fixed at 35 million florins, currency, to be paid in 11 successive installments, within a limit of 23 months, in the manner and according to the forms prescribed by the additional article hereunto annexed. The Monte-Lombardo-Venetian, with its 3½ million florins of assets, and 66 million florins of liabilities, passes entirely to the Government of his Majesty the King of Italy. The Government of his Majesty the King of Italy succeeds to the rights and obligations arising out of contracts regularly entered into by the Austrian Administration for the benefit of the ceded territory. The Austrian Government is bound to reimburse all sums which have been paid into the Austrian treasury by Lombardo-Venetian subjects, communes, public establishments and religious corporations, whether as deposits or as caution money. The Italian Government shall in the like manner be bound to return to Austrian subjects the amounts they may have paid into the the Monte-Lombardo-Venetian Treasury. The Government of his Majesty the King of Italy adopts and confirms the railway concessions granted by the Austrian Government upon the ceded territories, in all their particulars and for their entire duration. From the date of the exchange of ratifications of the present treaty the Italian Government assumes all the rights and responsibilities of the Austrian Government in respect of the before-mentioned railway concessions upon the ceded territories. Until other and ulterior arrangements, the total receipts of the two systems of railway north and south of the Alps are accepted for the lines situate within the ceded territories as the estimate of gross revenue upon which is based the kilometre guarantee. A special convention between the contracting parties with participation of the railway companies interested, without reserve of time and with full liberty to all parties, shall regulate the mode of separating the systems north and south of the Alps.

Lombardo-Venetian subjects domiciled upon the ceded territory will enjoy, during one year, after previous declaration before the competent authority, full and entire liberty to export their movable property, free of duty, and to withdraw with their families to the States of His Imperial Royal Apostolic Majesty, in which case they will preserve their Austrian citizenship. They will be at liberty to retain their landed property upon Lombardo-Venetian territory.

The same rights will belong to natives of Venetia living in the other provinces of the Austrian Empire. Those who avail themselves of these stipulations shall in no way be molested in their persons or their property situated in the respective States on account of their option.

The above period of one year is extended to two years in the case of subjects, "natives" of the ceded territory, who, at the time of the ratification of the present treaty, may live out of the territory of the Austrian monarchy. Natives of the ceded territory who are in the Austrian army will immediately be discharged from service and sent to their homes.

It is understood that those among them who declare their wish to remain in the Imperial service will not on that account be molested, either in their person or property. The same guarantees are assured to the civil functionaries, natives of the ceded territory, who shall have manifested their intention of continuing in the offices which they hold in the Austrian service.

The regular civil and military pensions, chargeable upon the Lombardo-Venetian Treasurion, remain payable to those entitled to them, and eventually to their widows and children, and will be paid in future by the Italian Government.

The archives containing titles to property, the administrative and judicial documents concerning the ceded territory, and the objects of art appertaining to the same existing among the archives of the Austrian Empire will be handed over to the Commissioners of His Majesty the King of Italy as soon as possible.

All the treaties and conventions previously concluded between His Majesty the King of Italy and His Majesty the Emperor of Austria will be confirmed in all that is not annulled by the present treaty. Nevertheless, the two contracting parties engage themselves to submit those treaties and conventions, in the course of the year, to a general revision, in order to introduce in the same, by common accord, those modifications which may be considered beneficial in the interest of the two countries. Navigation upon the Lake of Garda is free, subject to the particular regulations of the ports and the littoral police.

A convention for the purpose of settling the necessary measures to be taken for the prevention and repression of smuggling shall be concluded between Austria and Italy within the space of one year after the date of the

SOUTHERN POLITICS.

The Constitutional Amendment Discussed—Opinion of Prominent Leaders of the Rebellion—What An Anti-Secessionist Said—The Repudiationists Rebuked—Religious Revival—The Cotton Crop and Railroad Freights—Advance in Steamboat Charges.

From Our Own Correspondent.

AUGUSTA, Ga., Friday, Oct. 19, 1866.

In my last letter I sketched the principal objections which those who represent popular opinion in this section entertain and express in reference to the adoption by the Southern States of the pending Amendment to the Constitution.

Although the returns from the Northern elections would seem to give very great additional force to the counsels of the TIMES—the force which the imminence of danger lends to a chance of escape—I cannot say that I see any evidence of a disposition to adopt the amendment, and try, not how far it will abate the rage of the Radicals, but how far it will mitigate the hostility of the masses whose votes give the Radicals their power. As I have already remarked, the objection to the change in the basis of representation might be much more easily overcome than that to the disfranchising section. In all the various and varied discussions of the subject at which I have "assisted," this portion of the proposed law is the part which all profess to be unable to swallow, even though all are convinced that the probabilities are very strong that they will be compelled to gulp it down with still other and more noxious ingredients added to the distasteful *bolus*. There is not anybody of any class who does not recognize fully the terrors of the fate which the infuriated Radicals have the power to force upon the country; nor is there anybody who has any idea that the reality will be one iota less oppressive than what is anticipated. But when any one urges the adoption of the amendment as the demand of the Northern voters on which they insist as an essential to conciliation, and which once conceded they will make the Radicals withdraw their opposition and cease their oppression, he is always met by the statement that the Northern voters have not recorded any such promise; but that, on the contrary, they have given a fresh lease of unlimited power to STEVENS, BROWNLOW and BUTLER, and that for the next two years the people could not, even if they would, change the rulers they have chosen, or interfere with the policy they have preferred; and this being the case, it is vain for the Southern people to do anything but submit. They think, and they say, it is better to submit to their fate than to assist in its preparation. The most moderate, the most anxious for an end of strife, and the most ready to concede prejudices or preferences to have peace, speak and counsel as I have described. It is the absence of any reasonable hope that anything the South can do would satisfy the Radicals, which causes the present melancholy unanimity in favor of non-action, entire inertia, bearing all that comes, but making no effort to "turn away wrath."

If there were anything approaching a certainty that the passage of the amendment would restore the South, and relieve the people from any more exactions, giving them their rights as citizens of coequal States, the chief men of those who are to be disfranchised by the third section would be most prominent in their advice to close the bargain, pay the price, and secure peace. Indeed of all those who talk on the subject, they are the readiest to yield. With one or two exceptions, the men who were really prominent leaders in the rebellion have retired altogether from public life, and have sedulously avoided any participation in politics, refusing the use of their names for office of all sorts, and declining to speak at public meetings, in order that their names should not prejudice injuriously the popular effort for reconciliation and reconstruction.

I know most of those in this State who are called "prominent rebels," and have heard several of them express their opinions quite recently on the subject of this amendment. They do not think it just or right to require an unrepresented people to sanction a law in the making of which they were not permitted to share; to treat them as the inhabitants of a conquered province on all things relating to their welfare and interests, only recognizing them as citizens of one of the United States when they are compelled to exercise sovereignty in changing the organic law of the Union. They do not recognize any right in any State or number of States to make the enjoyment by the South of her rights under the Constitution conditional on the acceptance of any terms dictated by a Congress from which she was excluded; and they do not believe that any concession the South could make would induce the Radicals to cry "Hold, enough!" But so far as they are individually affected by the amendment, I have not heard one speak who is not willing to consent to perpetual disfranchisement, if by so doing he can assure the security and happiness of the people.

There is no affectation or make-believe in this. It is perfectly sincere. Those who were the leaders of the rebellion, (I allude to the political leaders,) have no reason to wish to be elected to office. Most, if not all of them, surrendered their political ambition when they surrendered their swords at Appomatox and Greensboro', and certainly no subsequent event has occurred to restore it. They are as a class financially ruined. They must work to provide for themselves and families, and they know of old that as a lucrative profession politics are not desirable. There is no necessity for special legislation to exclude them from office. The men who represented the South before the war, and who led the Southern armies while it lasted, concur in the prudence of their retirement, and think that for them there is a wide sphere of usefulness outside of the arena of politics and ocffie.

I allude to them to relieve them from the probable imputation of using their influence against the amendment. I believe positively that if to-morrow they could be persuaded that by their consent to the third section the people could secure peace and freedom, they would earnestly urge them to do so. I know that many prominent men whom it effects would take this course, and I am persuaded that they all would agree to it.

It is the people who object—the masses, whom it does not touch—and their objection is based upon the honorable unwillingness to attempt to purchase rights at the expense of those they honor and have trusted, and upon the hopelessness that the attempt would be successful.

When they are told that they should remember that by rebellion they forfeited their rights, and that, being vanquished, they must accept any terms which their conquerors, represented by the dominant party in Congress, may impose, they answer that they know that, and that they intend to submit quietly to whatever may be their destiny. If they are but inhabitants of "rebel territories," they ask what power or right have they to amend the Constitution or exercise the power vested in independent States? If, on the contrary, the rebel States never were out of the Union, and are now legally possessed of all the rights and privileges which belong to them as States, what power or right have a majority of the States to hold them in *limbo*, if they decline to accept terms which they dislike, however mild or magnanimous they might be, if offered by a conqueror to a conquered subject. To this it is answered, the North requires this as a guarantee of future good behavior and as atonement for past error. It is the *ultimatum* of the Northern people. The prompt acceptance of it promises peace, and its rejection will give full swing to the Radicals. This argument is met at once by adducing the evidence of all the leading Radicals to the effect that the acceptance of the Amendment will *not* put an end to the conflict; that it is not the *ultimatum* or anything like an *ultimatum*, but that a great deal more must be done by the South, before she shall be admitted to equal rights in the Union. BUTLER so said distinctly throughout his recent stumping tour; Mr. STEVENS so said in his speeches in Pennsylvania. Mr. FORNEY so said and wrote. All the Philadelphia "Loyalists" so said, whenever they had an opportunity, and the States who heard them, and whose votes they spoke expressly to influence, sustained their declaration at the polls by increased majorities. This is almost a *verbatim* report of a discussion which took place this week, at which I was present, and in which prominent rebels and prominent anti-Secessionists took part. One of the latter remarked to me: "We are *in extremis*, dying of our wounds. We have tried all the remedies presented to us, and hoped they would cure as was promised. Do not seek to torture our last moments by a hopeless amputation, which we are to perform ourselves. Let us die whole, if die we must. If it were certain it would restore us we might consent; but when we know, and are assured by those who know best that it will do no good, let us enjoy the few moments of ease from pain which are granted by mortification."

The repudiation-of-private-debts party are holding meetings, passing resolutions, making speeches, and preparing instructions to members of the Legislature. They need "relief," and that urgently. They think it equitable and just that creditors should be compelled, by what they call *law*, to abandon half of their claims, and that the State should engage to pay the other half. A., who sold his property to B., taking B.'s note for the purchase money, should lose half of his debt, even though it be all he has. B. should keep the property, and A. should be taxed in common with the rest of the people to pay the other half. This would be relief with a vengeance. I am happy to say that the Grand Jury of the county in which this city is situated, at their recent session, included a rebuke of this swindling in their presentments, and all honest men must approve their action. Real relief will be found in a faithful effort to be honest and just, and not in an attempt to defraud and swindle, and call it legal.

An unprecedented religious revival is going on in different parts of the State among all denominations of Christians. Thousands of young men and women are joining the Church, and though the movement is so widespread, there is none of that unhealthy excitement which so often disfigures revivals, and shakes faith in the steadfastness of those who come under its influence.

The cotton crop is coming forward, as it is ginned and baled, and is bringing here from 35 to 40 cents per pound, according to quality.

The tax and railroad freights materially diminish this remunerative price. To send a bale of cotton to Savannah from the cotton region requires an outlay of from $20 to $22. As the planters have not the money to pay this sum they are necessarily obliged to sell to speculators at a reduced price, so that the advantages of the high market do not accrue to the poor producer. Since the war, on the pretext of their large losses and great outlay for repairs, &c., and the depreciated currency, the railroad companies have all disregarded the provisions of their charters which limit their freight charges. Like your street railroads, they charge what they please and laugh at statute law. Here is a measure of "relief," to which the Legislature might address itself with advantage. To make things worse the steamship lines from New-York and Philadelphia have raised their rates, at least so I was informed by a merchant who has bought a large stock of goods at the North. QUONDAM.

NOTES FROM THE PEOPLE.

Safe Steamships—The Loss of the Steamer Evening Star.

To the Editor of the New-York Times:

The accounts of the disaster of the *Evening Star* having been published, so far as we may expect them until an investigation by authority be made, we deem it proper to make what use we may of the terribly instructive lesson on shipbuilding the disaster affords.

It seems from all reports that the ship was not inferior to most others in design or construction. Nor is the foundering unexampled; on the contrary, not many months ago two English steamships, the *London* and *Amatia*, foundered in the same way, in weather less violent, one of them losing nearly all on board. The cause of foundering, in the three cases, appears to have been the weakness of the deck-lights, hatchways, gangways, &c., which was such that when seas were shipped the water broke through into the cabin and engine-rooms and put out the fires, so that the pumps could not be worked or the vessel kept under control.

There are, however, some points in the case of the *Evening Star*, which indicate weakness of the hull. The main steam-pipe was broken some hours before the vessel sank. As the steam-pipe is long, and has a slip joint, its breaking, or even working so as to break, indicates a greater movement out of line than could have occurred without the boilers were loosened from their fastenings, or the hull very much strained. At a later hour the steam-pipe of the donkey-engine was also broken; this is a further evidence of general weakness. But it is not therefore to be presumed, in view of all the evidence, that this ship was not as strong as ships generally are. The weakness is rather an evidence of the general weakness of ships, and their liability to founder whenever the sea runs so high as to break over them.

We have conversed with builders on this subject confidentially, and found that they are not absolute masters of the design and construction of ships, and do not carry out their own views, but yield to the necessities imposed by competition. So we believe, the owners yield to the baleful influence of competition. While it costs less to carry in cheap ships than in safe ships, and passengers are ignorant of the dangers they incur, and too considerate of the differences in the charges for passage, it will be difficult, if not impossible, to make a fair profit by building and working safe ships. This is the great cause of all the losses that occur at sea, where the ships do not touch bottom. A ship may be made so strong that no violence of wind and sea can make her take in water, though her machinery and spars be rendered useless.

It has been proposed by theorists, and to some extent it has been practiced, to divide vessels into water-tight compartments. Many steamships have bulkheads dividing them into five or six water-tight compartments. A British naval officer, some years ago, proposed to make separate entrances from the decks to the between-decks and the hold, so that if the hold were full of water the between-decks might be dry, and keep the ship afloat. It has been proposed to make every state-room water-tight, so that their united buoyancy might keep the ship afloat even if her cabins were filled and she were as low in the water as a monitor.

These plans, it is allowed, are seriously inconvenient, and highly expensive. The water-tight bulkheads are troublesome when loading and unloading; the separate hatchways to the three stories into which a ship is divided, would be decidedly inconvenient, and the water-tight state-rooms would hardly attract passengers who are accustomed to the "splendor" of first-class hotels and "floating palaces." In some all of us are partly to blame, but none are wholly to blame.

But who can remedy this evil? Men who have money to give for the public good can remedy it by building ships as they ought to be built, but they will surely lose their money if they try to do it. Nevertheless, others will save more than they will lose, and they will be rewarded by the general well-being. The public will not make such liberal sacrifices for the public good, we fear, but will compel, by [illegible] the Government to impose [illegible] damages in all cases where they agree upon or give notice that they will not agree at the risk of the owner," and fees also are at the risk of their owners. A general law, that every life should be paid for at $5,000 or more, and that carriers should give security before they are licensed, would make it for their interest to carry safely; and then ships would be built with all the means of safety we have referred to, and whatever other means might be devised by inventors, on the demand of men who had such interests at stake.

Such a system of life assurance would infinitely more contribute to safety than the vindictive laws which threaten to punish as manslaughterers the ignorant men whose incompetency may cause disasters, or seem to cause them. We have heard losses of ships attributed to the incompetence of their officers; but if all their officers were lost overboard, ships ought not to sink. The sinking of a ship is determined in the room where she is designed, and so determined because the designer is ordered to make a cheap ship; and this order is given because the owner is not a charitable man of great wealth, who is willing to expend his fortune for the safety of his brethren, but a mere money-getter like most of us.

We should take men as we find them, and not ask or expect more than they will do. They will obey the laws of trade, with a view to profit, therefore we should modify the laws of trade, at least so far as the safety of life requires them to be modified; and, as it really seems necessary, we should abridge the liberty of passengers and carriers to bargain without regard to safety.

Inspection of ships and boilers is of little use. The Inspectors are often incompetent. The authorities that appoint them are often incompetent to judge of their fitness, even if they honestly endeavor to "give" such appointments to the fittest men. But if carriers be forced to become life insurers, they will carry on their business so as to make the utmost profit by attaining the utmost safety.

The Excise Law.

To the Editor of the New-York Times:

There is a powerful combination known as the Liquor Dealers' Association, with its headquarters in this City, which has for many years exerted a great, and often a controlling influence in nominating and electing members of the Legislature, and municipal and State officers. No man can receive its support who is not opposed to all laws that restrain or regulate the traffic in liquor. It was this influence that compelled the Democratic Convention at Albany to nominate Mr. HOFFMAN for Governor, he having avowed his opposition to the Metropolitan Excise Law and his full sympathy with the liquor dealers.

In 1862 this Association numbered 71,000 members in this State. A secret circular addressed to the individual members just before the election, reads thus:

"As a member of the New-York Liquor Dealers' Society, you are under obligations to vote for such candidates as they may select, if you wish to retain the advantage of membership."

In this City a circular was issued which says:

"We now number in this City TEN THOUSAND active and energetic men, all legal voters; and knowing as we do the power we can exercise through the ballot-box toward redressing our wrongs if we act in concert, we have resolved to pledge ourselves to act in unison and concert, as one man, upon all questions that can in any way affect our interests, and to support no candidate for office who cannot give us satisfactory assurance that he is in favor of the immediate repeal of the oppressive Excise Law as it now exists."

The intimate connection between unrestrained liquor selling and crime in our City has been presented from time to time by our Grand Juries. In 1858, Recorder BARNARD, in his charge to the Grand Jury, says:

"If any cases of the violation of the Excise Law were brought before them, it would be their duty to find indictments, and help to check that monstrous evil—the indiscriminate sale of spirits, by day and night—in all parts of the City. The Liquor Law also provided penalties for the adulteration of liquors, and it would be safe to say that at least nine-tenths of the liquors sold in New-York were adulterated with the most deleterious poisons."

In 1856 the Grand Jury say, in a presentment to the Court:

"The Grand Jury cannot close their labors without presenting to the Court and to the public the important fact, that a very large portion of the business which has occupied its attention has arisen from the sale and use of intoxicating liquors.

Nearly all the cases for murder and assault and battery which have been investigated—and the number has been great—have been found to spring from these causes."

The Grand Jury of June 22, 1860, say:

"The Grand Jury would be blind to the circumstances attending most of the cases of crime they have considered did they not trace their origin to the indiscriminate sale and use of intoxicating liquors, and to the prevalent spirit of lawlessness induced by classes and associations engaged in the liquor traffic, or conspiracy to obstruct the enforcement of the statutes respecting it."

Again in 1864 we find the following presentment:

"The Grand Jury turn from the sad details of crime they have been compelled to investigate, with a profound conviction that all attempts to repress or punish vice and crime will prove comparatively fruitless so long as the flood-gates of intemperance are open night and day. Our Criminal Courts are powerless for the protection of society with 8,000 or 10,000 lawless and irresponsible dealers in intoxicating drinks arrayed against them, and multiplying their victims by tens of thousands. It is futile to tamper with the results while ignoring the causes of abounding iniquity. Under all civinzed Governments the traffic in intoxicating drinks is carefully hedged about and restrained by law; the burdens it everywhere imposes on society in the shape of pauperism, taxation and crime are partially compensated by the exaction of heavy license fees; and under all well-ordered Governments no statutes are more rigidly enforced than those relating to excise. In this City, on the contrary, the traffickers in liquor openly defy its enforcement. The same attitude of defiance has been maintained for seven years, thus withholding a million of dollars or more from the Treasury."

All efforts to enforce the Excise Law of 1857 having failed in consequence of the hostility of the liquor dealers and of Judges who sympathized with them—the friends of good order succeeded, after meeting the most strenuous opposition from the liquor dealers, in passing the

METROPOLITAN EXCISE LAW.

This law was in operation about two months with the most salutary results—and although not fully enforced, the arrests for intoxication and disorderly conduct on Sunday, as compared with the same months of 1865 were as follows:

May, 1865	503	May, 1866	257
June, 1865	578	June, 1866	256

In consequence of Judge CARDOZO's decision and injunctions the enforcement of the law was suspended after the month of June, and we find the following reports of arrests for Sundays in July:

July, 1865	779	July, 1866	748

The friends of the Sabbath and good order in this City and throughout the State, should be reminded that the liquor dealers have avowed the bitterest hostility to the present Excise Law, and their determination to vote only for such men for the next Legislature as will use every effort to repeal the law. Let this effort be met by those who are in favor of wholesome restraints upon the liquor traffic, especially on Sunday, with a determination to sustain the law.

Yours, &c., W.

City Corruption.

To the Editor of the New-York Times:

Mr. PARTON'S article in the *North American*, and Mr. BRECHER'S political and moral address of yesterday in Brooklyn, ought to admonish the good people of this City to beware of the abyss on the verge of which they now stand.

These two gentlemen of high moral and intellectual attainments, without any political aspirations, come manfully forward and show, in clear and unmistakable language, the danger that threatens all persons of any merit, virtue or property. They expose the unprincipled character of the *tenants* of the people; their unscrupulous use of public money, their rottenness and corruption in all that relates to the well-being, prosperity and financial soundness of the community.

They have sounded the trumpet—let us on them to the charge. Let us teach these vile swindlers at the next election, that their day is over—that this Republican Government of ours was instituted to reward virtue, and talent, and industry; not to compensate crime and make vice the road to preferment, and wealth, and honor.

Will not our people arouse themselves? Will they not make one bold push to snatch office from the hands of men who dishonor it? Or, do they wish to be plundered? Do they enjoy the fearful spectacle of corruption that everywhere surrounds them in the political atmosphere of this City? Are they sunk so low as to admire the dexterity of knaves and the impudence of heroes?

For one I have [illegible] better things and more [illegible] prosperous times, but I sometimes am fearful that we shall not see them until [illegible] says, "we shall not see them until the cup of iniquity is ripened to that measure at which the general examples cease to be [illegible]." L.

[illegible] the Editor of the New-York Times:

[illegible] your editorial [illegible] you are good enough to include me as specially [illegible] connection with the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, and suggesting some action on my part in relation to one of the many nuisances chronic and *sui generis* to Broadway.

The good opinion of a great intellectual agent like the TIMES, in working out the problem of civilization in our free country, is something to be proud of; but if I know myself—and I think I do—the principle of my humble and insufficient labors, as a defender of the brute creation has a higher aim than human approbation.

Were the public aware, as the officers of this Society are, of the frightful and demoralizing cruelties unceasingly inflicted on the dumb servants of mankind—the transportation of cattle, for example, all the way from Missouri to this City, without a moment's rest, food or water, rendering those which survive blind of fever and mad with thirst and hunger; only on their arrival here to be stored for a day or two longer, until their owner finds time to follow them; then to be driven to the shambles, and murdered in the most revolting manner, not unfrequently; and finally to be served upon the tables of Christian men and women, the flesh inflamed and diseased to an almost poisoning degree—were the public, I say, conscious of these sickening details, I feel assured that they would be aroused from their apathy, thoughtlessness and indifference to the sufferings of God's interior creatures; and the poor brute would obtain from their fears, what is denied them by reason of their miseries. It was but a few days ago that an individual boasted through the public Press that he had transported one hundred head of cattle all the way from Western Missouri in ten days!

This avowal so brands the devilish act of barbarity that comment is needless.

Will the generous and enterprising merchants, tradesmen and mechanics of our metropolis—will the beautiful, virtuous and refined matrons and daughters of this great abode of wealth and fashion cast their eyes, almost any day, over their right shoulders as they drive to the Park, and observe the barren pens, where are imprisoned, without plea of crime, hundreds of beeves vainly striving to extract from the rocky soil a single blade of grass or drop of water?

If they will—if they can contemplate these starving creatures without a shudder of commiseration for their sad fate, then is the nation founded by the great and good WASHINGTON in greater peril than any it has yet passed through.

But I will not permit myself to believe that Americans, native or naturalized, will longer suffer the cry of the agonized dumb beast to rise unnoticed to the ear of Heaven, now that the excuse of thoughtlessness or ignorance of their condition has been removed through the merciful instrumentality of this Society. Lend us your potent assistance.

Touching the condition of Broadway, the Society is doing all that it is possible to do for man and beast; but in presence of the gigantic evils, resulting from a bad system of municipal government, along with worse rulers, I for one despair of everything but ruin, unless our citizens will rise in their might and reform it altogether. This Society totally repudiates all political bias or affiliations whatever.

To show how helpless I am, as well as most other unofficial citizens, in the correction of abuses, I some time since called on the Street Commissioner with a statement of the obstructions in the Fifth-avenue, between Forty-third and Forty-fourth streets.

At this particular spot was a vast mound of earth, extending out into that great highway; and where it had been standing about one year, or until shrubs and trees had begun to take root and gave promise, if left undisturbed, to afford a fine growth of timber. Directly opposite to this a vast pile of bricks had been erected, which seemed to strive to rival the assurance and proportions of its neighbor, leaving but a very narrow passage between them for the countless vehicles which visit that locality. It was in the humanity of a servant of this Society—with a view to the prevention of the cruelty inflicted on the dense mass of horses daily jammed at that point by reason of these obstructions, that I called on the Street Commissioner with a respectful remonstrance, and was abruptly, if not discourteously, received and dismissed by that dignitary, with the assurance that he would do nothing in the matter, because the law gives to everybody the right to occupy one-third of all the streets on both sides, and at the same time.

I have not looked for this law, but if it exist it is simply outrageous. I have the honor to be

Your most obedient servant,
HENRY BERGH.

Baggage Expresses.

To the Editor of the New-York Times:

I fully agree in all your correspondent of yesterday, who signs himself "Traveller," says, and especially all that about the New-Jersey Railroad Company. It is very poorly managed, as he says. I, being a commuter and almost daily traveler on that road, probably know as much, if not more, than "Traveller" does about it. They have professed lately to run a ferry boat every five minutes from New-York to Jersey City and back. Sometimes five and oftener ten minutes intervene between the sailing of boats. At Jersey City there are three slips for landing their boats. The 7:15 train, from New-Brunswick, arrives at about 20 minutes before 9, (late enough surely,) and perhaps while the passengers are trying to determine which boat goes out first it has gone—sometimes from one slip and sometimes from the other. I might enumerate many more such instances, but one is sufficient. C.

Baggage Expresses.

NEW-YORK, Tuesday, Oct. 23, 1866.

To the Editor of the New-York Times:

The article in your paper of yesterday relating to the abuses of the baggage expresses—Studley's in particular—leads me to state my own experience. Twelve days since, Studley's Express took my check for a trunk on the New-York and New-Haven Railroad. I have not yet seen the trunk nor can I get any information concerning it, except that it would be sent the "next day." I wish that every one who has had any trouble of the kind would publish it, as it is a duty they owe to the public. H. R.

Non-Residents and Our City Schools.

To the Editor of the New-York Times:

An article appears in your issue of the 22d inst., over the signature of "A Citizen of New-York," in relation to our public school system, complaining of the injustice of not allowing the children of parents—who are "residents of the City in all the legal attributes of the citizen," and who "own and rent property, transact daily business, pay taxes, and share in all the other burdens imposed on the citizen"—to attend our public schools.

Justice to our public school system demands the fullest explanation, and, for the information of "A Citizen of New-York," and all others interested, I beg leave to submit the resolution passed on Oct. 4, 1865, at the session of the Board of Education on that day, by which it may be seen whether "it is only when some local official interferes with the liberal exercise of the public bounty that the citizen occasionally finds an obstacle in his way when he seeks to share in the beneficence of the State laws."

The resolution, as passed on the above date, and by which all "local officers" have to be governed, reads thus:

Resolved, That section 190 of the by-laws be amended so as to read as follows: "No pupil other than an actual resident of the City of New-York shall be allowed to attend any school under the control of this Board." This by-law to take effect on the 1st day of January, 1866.

Resolved, That the Clerk be and he hereby is directed to notify the Principals of schools of the adoption of this by-law, and that the President and Clerk, and the Superintendent of schools take the necessary measures to enforce it.

The generalities indulged in by "A Citizen of New-York," are, in my opinion, groundless. It is only necessary to prove that the parents of children are residents of the City and County of New-York to claim for the children the right of free education at the expense of the City of New-York.

The resolution is not intended to deprive the resident of any right, but it is intended that the non-resident shall not enjoy the immunities of our school system where other sections neglect, and where they have the right and power to make the necessary provision for the education of their children.

If "A Citizen of New-York" exercises his right of franchise in the City of New-York, he is a citizen of New-York. If not, then no local school officer can give him the right to send his children to our public schools. JOHN STRATTON,
Trustee, Twelfth Ward.

NEW-YORK, Tuesday, Oct. 23, 1866.

The Bonnet Question.

To the Editor of the New-York Times:

If the writers for newspapers have space to protest against agaiust jockey hats, it would be better to take the question of head-gear in general. Are the bonnets of this Autumn any way preferable for covering or comfort than jockey hats? These small bits of silk, lace and tinsel, perched on the crown, are ugly, because the hair is so manipulated that it [illegible] the head as the [illegible] wind; unbecoming, for the face is boldly exposed, and [illegible] by the sun; and unhealthful as leaving [illegible] the facial nerves on the [illegible] which [illegible] neuralgia. These [illegible] were [illegible] in Paris, [illegible] worn by such [illegible] reason [illegible] and dignity do not [illegible] [illegible] ciation [illegible] ums, or who have [illegible] cient hair to dress in a waterfall, and prefer not to wear wigs? Perhaps people who are thus willing to be out of the fashion, might as well be out of the world. Certainly out of the world in which we wear these expensive suites of elegant apartments where millinery goods are displayed with earnest assurances that nobody does or can wear anything different, and that this love of a bonnet will be so stylish, and the materials are so valuable, that it cannot possibly be afforded for less than as much money as might purchase material for a black silk dress.

The whole matter of millinery is a most gross humbug, and ought to be put down. Let ladies purchase materials; they will find that the very best will only amount to half the price paid for a ready made "bonnet," and make them at home, it is pretty work, or engage a girl to do it in the house; and in the name of comfort and respectability let the American women try if there cannot be devised and made in this country a bonnet frame which will in some degree cover their heads, and shade their faces in the public streets. X. Y. Z.

BROOKLYN, 20th October.

The Dreadful Charge for Bonnets.

To the Editor of the New-York Times:

Since you have taken up the subject of "Ladies' Bonnets," will you allow me to give a little bit of my experience for the benefit of those of my sex who read your valuable paper?

One day last week I went into a leading millinery on Sixth-avenue, for the purpose of purchasing a bonnet. I saw only one which suited my taste—a plain black silk, trimmed only with cut beads, and the price was $45. I did not like the bonnet, but went to work and made one exactly like it, at a cost of $4 61.

I shall in future have some one to come to the house and make my bonnets, and if every lady would do so, rather than pay milliners a profit of two or three hundred per cent., we would have no complaints from the poor girls who now do all the work and get the least profit. Yours, &c., ECONOMY.

LOCAL INTELLIGENCE.

POLICE COURTS.

The Tombs—Before Justice Dowling.

TOLD TWO STORIES.

MICHAEL HARE and JOHN H. LAMBERT, both laboring men, reside at No. 193 Franklin-street, and have rubbed along together for some months. This negative sort of friendship was suddenly broken on Tuesday by the sudden loss of HARE'S pocket-book, containing $43. LAMBERT had previous to this occurrance complained that he had no money to pay a small debt with, and soon after HARE ascertained that LAMBERT had paid JOHN O'NEIL, of No. 364 Greenwich-street, a small sum of money. MICHAEL at once jumped at conclusions and charged his friend with having stolen the missing pocket-book. At first LAMBERT was thrown off his guard, and freely admitted the theft, but on second thought he denied all knowledge of the transaction, and protested his entire innocence of the crime. Not being able to make head or tail of these two different statements HARE called in Officer DUNN, of the Third Precinct, and caused LAMBERT'S arrest. When the prisoner was arraigned before the Magistrate he was held for trial on the charge, and locked up in default of $500 bail.

VIOLATING THE HEALTH LAW.

Officer MILLER, of the Second Precinct, while patroling his post yesterday morning, saw JOHN DALTON leading a cow through the public streets, in violation of the Health Law, which prohibits the driving of horned cattle through the streets of the City after sunrise and before 10 o'clock P. M. When the accused was brought into Court, he pleaded ignorance of the law as an excuse, and complained that the employer was to blame. The magistrate fined the prisoner $10, and locked him up for non-payment. It was understood that the employer, who prudently kept in the background, would pay the fine.

THE KNIFE.

JOHN J. DOYLE and MARY JANE HOFFMAN reside at No. 193 Elm-street, and they quarreled about some trifling matter on Tuesday night. Both argued until they lost what little temper they had, and DOYLE became so enraged at the epithets heaped upon him by his vituperative opponent that he drew a knife and stabbed the woman in the face, causing a severe wound. An officer of the Four-teenth Precinct arrested DOYLE and he was locked up for trial in default of $500 bail.

Essex Market—Before Justice Mansfield.

ROBBING A MONEY-DRAWER.

JOHN S. RANEZ, a grocer, at No. 196 Division-street, yesterday caused the arrest of a young man named THOMAS MADDEN, who, as he alleges, was caught by him behind his store counter, and in close proximity to the money-drawer, in which there was about $20 in United States notes and fractional currency. When Mr. RANEZ went to the drawer, he found that the money had been abstracted, and upon accusing the prisoner, he acknowledged that he had committed the theft, and offered to refund the money. He was committed for examination.

A THIEVING WASHERWOMAN.

ANN BROWN was employed on Monday to do some washing by Mrs. GALLAGHER, at her house, No. 149 Allen-street. After two days' work was done, ANN unlawfully appropriated one of her employer's dresses, valued at $16, and was walking away with it, when the property was missed. She was immediately pursued and arrested, when the property was found in her possession. She was committed for examination, in default of $300 bail.

Jefferson Market—Before Justice Ledwith.

CLEARING A CLOTHES LINE.

Yesterday morning a woman named ELIZA YOUNG entered the yard in the rear of the dwelling-house No. 256 Hudson-street, and stripped the clothes line of a tablecloth, valued at $5; four dresses, at $15; a cloak, at $5, and three bed-sheets, at $4, with which she essayed to escape, but was prevented by the timely appearance of a policeman, who intercepted her as she was about to leave the house. She was conveyed before Justice LEDWITH, who committed her for examination.

Yorkville Court—Before Justice Kelly.

A STRANGE CASE.

A young man named JOHN MCGRATH was arrested yesterday on the charge of grand larceny, alleged by GEORGE H. WHITE to have been committed on the 20th of March, of the present year. The accused is charged with taking a wine-colored cassimere coat, valued at $25, from the complainant. In answer to the complaint, the prisoner avers that he is entirely innocent; that in March last he did some painting for WHITE, in payment for which he gave him the coat referred to; that he has worn it ever since that time, and without any attempt to conceal it; that WHITE has seen it in his possession repeatedly, but that he has never before spoken of it to the defendant. He further states that he (MCGRATH) is an important witness against the complainant in a case where he is charged with bigamy, and that he believes this prosecution was instituted for the purpose of getting rid of a witness who might be able to give some unpleasant testimony against said WHITE. This story, of course, is only given for what it is worth. If it be true, it is certainly a most cowardly attempt to blast the reputation of an honorable man. The prisoner was remanded for examination.

National Railroad Convention.

The National Railroad Convention held its first session yesterday, at the St. Nicholas Hotel. Among the gentlemen present were T. J. Carter, of the Union Pacific Railroad; Henry Keys, President Connecticut and Pass. River Railroad; G. Merrill, Superintendent Vermont Central, Camden and Sullivan, Montreal and Vermont Junction Railroads; Thos. Webb, President North Carolina Railroad; E. Wilkes, Superintendent North Carolina Railroad; D. C. McCallum, President Alexandria and Fredericksburgh Railroad; John E. Lyon, President Boston, Concord, Montreal and White Mountain Railroads; B. D. Hasell, President and Chief-Engineer Shelby and Broad River; General Agent South Carolina Railroad, Georgia Railroad and Cashville and Chattanooga Railroad; G. Chaunte, Chief-Engineer Chicago, Alton and St. Louis; Warren Colburn, Vice-President Toledo, Wabash and Western; J. H. Ramsay, President Albany and Susquehanna; Isaac Hinckley, President Philadelphia, Wilmington and Baltimore; S. Rush, Superintendent Richmond, Fredonia and Potomac; John Helme and H. E. Houston, Directors of the Pennsylvania Central; John M. Kennedy, of the Northern Central; Isaac H. Sturgeon, President, J. B. Moulton, Chief-Engineer, and B. H. Latrobe, Consulting Engineer, North Missouri; S. L. Fremont, Engineer and Superintendent Wilmington and Weldon; Ashbell Welsh, Vice-President Camden and Amboy; Marvellus Massey, Vice-President Rome, Watertown and Ogdensburgh Roads.

In the absence of the President, Mr. J. L. THOMAS, Mr. ISAAC B. SUTHERLAND called the meeting to order.

Mr. WELSH offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That the general object of this Convention is the improvement of railroad construction, maintenance and management, and that no action should be taken tending to violate the railroad interest, or place it in a position antagonistic to other interests, and that no subject should be entertained involving political, sectional, or similarly exciting subjects.

Mr. ASHBELL WELSH, Chairman of the Committee appointed to consider the subject of safety signals and regulations, presented a lengthy report. It recommends that telegraphic signal stations should be established at intervals on all important double-track lines. The report further says: "Such a plan has been in use for a year past between Philadelphia and New-Brunswick, on the main passenger route between Philadelphia and New-York; and experience confirms our confidence in its value. The signal used in this case is a white board and a white light, shown through an orifice two feet in diameter, on a black signal box, so placed that it can be seen as far as possible; a partition in the box separates the signals for the opposite directions.

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port, be connected with the structures themselves, [illegible] cannot show right when the thing is [illegible]

The report also speaks of the importance of the signal [illegible] regulations for all roads being similar. The report was referred to a Special Committee.

Mr. [illegible] called attention to the vast extent of [illegible] which the lines represented passed, [illegible] that a General Railroad Bureau be established, which scientific men and able engineers should be employed.

The subject was referred to a Committee of five, and the Convention adjourned to 10 A. M. to-day.

Evening Schools.

The attendance upon the several evening schools at present is larger than is usual at this season of the year. These schools are recognized as the greatest boon the Board of Education has yet conferred upon the laboring youths of the City. That class who are compelled by their necessities to labor in the daytime, flock to the evening schools by thousands. Nor is the instruction confined to the young alone. Adults, who were so unfortunate as to have been deprived of educational facilities in their youth, are cordially invited to attend, and hundreds of bearded, hard-working mechanics are found diligently pursuing the elementary studies. Teachers, books, fuel, lights, and all the paraphernalia of pleasant, cheerful school-rooms, are presented here gratuitously, as they are in the day schools. Under the system of education adopted in New-York, a child may commence learning his A B C's in a public school, and continue the various branches of education until he has graduated after a first-class collegiate course, without his education having cost him one solitary cent. Everything is furnished, from books to a pen-holder. The same with girls. They can be taught the art of sewing, and their muslin to work on, and their needles, thread, scissors, &c., to work with, are all furnished without money and without price. In no other city in the world is such liberal provision made for the public education of children.

The Evening High School, which was recently inaugurated, has proved a great success. There are 675 pupils in regular attendance—all that can be accommodated in the building—and 200 or 300 have been turned away. A registry of these disappointed ones is kept, and they will be admitted in rotation as there are vacancies. The practical method adopted at this school of teaching what ever branches the pupil may desire, is duly appreciated by young men. The following table shows the attendance on the evening schools in the different wards.

AVERAGE ATTENDANCE ON EVENING SCHOOLS.

Wards.	Males.	Females.
Fourth	373	—
Fifth	436	—
Sixth	—	312
Seventh	289	—
Eighth	—	282
Ninth	594	—
Tenth	865	—
Eleventh	367	378
Twelfth	105	—
Thirteenth	—	412
Fourteenth	—	220
Sixteenth	—	261
Seventeenth	721	507
Eighteenth	576	—
Nineteenth	257	41
Twentieth	596	275
Twenty-first	—	226
Twenty-second	406	297
Total	5,744	3,311

In addition to which there are 140 male and female pupils at the colored schools.

LAW REPORTS.

Important Case on the Gold Question—Foreign Contracts.

UNITED STATES CIRCUIT COURT—SOUTHERN DISTRICT.

Before Judge Smalley and a Jury.

Lawrence Gladstone et al. vs. William Chamberlain et al.—This was an action brought to recover an amount alleged to be due upon a charter. The plaintiffs were the owners of the ship *John O'Gaunt*, which the defendants, in November, 1862, chartered at Ceylon to bring a cargo to this port for the lump sum of $29,000, which by the terms of the charter was to be paid "in cash upon due delivery of the cargo." On the arrival of the ship gold was at a premium and the present controversy arose—the plaintiffs claiming to be paid in gold and the defendants offering payment in legal-tender notes. By an agreement between the parties, the $29,000 in legal tender was paid, and this action was brought to recover the difference.

Testimony was given as to what was said between the parties at the time the charter was made, one

The New-York Times, Wednesday, October 25, 1865.

Suit to Recover Possession of Horses.

SUPREME COURT—SPECIAL TERM—OCT. 24.

Before Judge Jones.

Two Feet Front.

SUPERIOR COURT—TRIAL TERM—PART II.—OCT. 24.

Before Judge Sutherland.

This was a suit brought by Mary O'Shea against Michael Kumpf for the recovery of two lots obtained in the month of Thirty-fifth-street, between Second and Third avenues. The only question to be determined was whether the centre of the street was the dividing line between the property of the parties. The plaintiff claimed that the lots in question were bounded on the north by the centre of the street, while the defendant claimed that the true line was the south curb-stone of Thirty-fifth-street. The jury rendered a verdict in favor of the plaintiff.

Suit to Recover Possession of Horses.

SUPREME COURT—SPECIAL TERM—OCT. 24.

Before Judge Jones.

Suit to recover possession of a horse, which was detained by the defendant, was brought before the Court. It appeared from the testimony that the plaintiff had purchased the animal in question from a man named Hall, who had stolen it from the defendant. The latter, on discovering the theft, had taken the horse from the possession of the plaintiff, and refused to restore it to him. The jury rendered a verdict in favor of the plaintiff.

Another Habeas Corpus to Obtain Possession of a Child.

SUPREME COURT—CHAMBERS—OCT. 24.

Before Justice Leonard.

Porter Fitch vs. *Isaac Van Antwerp, proprietor of the Brooklyn Hotel.*—Plaintiff was in a precarious condition when he arrived in this city from Brooklyn, and was taken to the Bellevue Hospital, where he remained for a few days. He then went to the Brooklyn Hotel, and on leaving it refused to pay the bill, which was presented to him. He was then arrested on a writ of *habeas corpus*, and brought before Judge Leonard. The latter discharged the prisoner, and refused to remand him to the custody of the defendant.

Habeas Corpus.

By Judge Barnard.

In the matter of the application of Thomas Fitzpatrick for a writ of habeas corpus.—This application was made by Mr. Fitzpatrick, who is a resident of the Fifth Ward, for the purpose of obtaining the custody of his child, which was detained by the wife of the petitioner. It appeared from the testimony that the petitioner had left his wife and child about two years ago, and had not since seen them. The wife, however, refused to allow the child to see its father, and the latter therefore applied for a writ of habeas corpus. The writ was granted, and the child was produced in Court. The wife of the petitioner then made an affidavit, in which she stated that the child was in delicate health, and that it would be dangerous to its life to remove it from the custody of its mother. The child was then returned to the wife.

Habeas Corpus.

By Judge Barnard.

In the matter of the application of Mary Ann Hall for a writ of habeas corpus.—This application was made by Mrs. Hall, who resides in the Fifth Ward, for the purpose of obtaining the custody of her child, which was detained by the wife of the petitioner. It appeared from the testimony that the petitioner had left his wife and child about two years ago, and had not since seen them. The wife refused to allow the child to see its father, and the latter therefore applied for a writ of habeas corpus. The writ was granted, and the child was produced in Court. The wife of the petitioner then made an affidavit, in which she stated that the child was in delicate health, and that it would be dangerous to its life to remove it from the custody of its mother. The child was then returned to the wife.

Decisions.

By Judge Barnard.

Charles Hamden vs. *Louisa Marshall.*—Motion to vacate order of arrest granted, with costs.

The United States vs. *Jeremiah Sullivan.*—Motion to dismiss the indictment pursuant to the 4th section of the Act of 1862, granted.

Ex parte Clarke.—

Sarah Myers was brought before Judge Barnard on a writ of *habeas corpus*, and counsel for petitioner moved for her discharge. Counsel for respondent, Mr. Morgan, opposed the motion, and read affidavits to the effect that the petitioner was a prostitute, and that she had been arrested on a charge of keeping a house of ill-fame, and had been fined $50. Motion denied.

Ex parte Myers.—

Sarah Myers was brought before Judge Barnard on a writ of *habeas corpus*, and counsel for petitioner moved for her discharge. The petitioner was arrested on a charge of keeping a house of ill-fame, and was fined $50. Motion denied.

Ex parte Hall.—

Mary Hall was brought before Judge Barnard on a writ of *habeas corpus*, and counsel for petitioner moved for her discharge. The petitioner was arrested on a charge of keeping a house of ill-fame, and was fined $50. Motion denied.

Ex parte Clarke.—

Sarah Myers was brought before Judge Barnard on a writ of *habeas corpus*, and counsel for petitioner moved for her discharge. The petitioner was arrested on a charge of keeping a house of ill-fame, and was

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Amusements this Evening.

WINTER GARDEN.
Broadway, between Bleecker and Amity sts.
THIS EVENING, commencing at 8 o'clock, LADY AUDLEY'S SECRET. Characters by Mrs. F. D. Bowers, F. C. McCollom, supported by a great cast.

WALLACK'S THEATRE.
Broadway, corner 13th-st.
THIS EVENING, commencing at 8 o'clock, £100,-000. Characters by the company.

OLYMPIC THEATRE.
Broadway, between Houston and Bleecker sts.
THIS EVENING commencing at 7½ o'clock, OUR AMERICAN COUSIN. Characters by Mr. JOSEPH JEFFERSON and the company.

NIBLO'S GARDEN.
Broadway, between Prince and Houston sts.
THIS EVENING, commencing at 7½ o'clock, an original and grand spectacular Drama, entitled THE BLACK CROOK.

NEW-YORK THEATRE.
Broadway, near 9th-st.
THIS EVENING, commencing at 8 o'clock, A FINE OLD ENGLISH GENTLEMAN and RUM-TI-FOO-ZLE.

BROOKLYN ACADEMY OF MUSIC.
Montague-st.
THIS EVENING, commencing at 8 o'clock, Mme. ADELAIDE RISTORI as LADY MACBETH.

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Nos. 45 and 47 Bowery.
THIS EVENING, WEINER IN PARIS and HANS JUERGE ODER DIE PERLESCHUR. Characters by M. Bogumil Dawison and the company.

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14th-st., near 6th-av.
THIS EVENING, commencing at 8 o'clock, French Opera. LES DEMANTS DE LA COURONNE.

FOX'S OLD BOWERY THEATRE.
Bowery, between Bayard and Canal sts.
THIS EVENING, commencing at 7½ o'clock, JESSE BROWN and CAPTAIN KYD. Characters by Miss Fanny Herring, G. L. Fox, and full company.

NEW BOWERY THEATRE.
Bowery, between Canal and Hester sts.
THIS EVENING, THE DREAM OF DESTINY and IRELAND AND AMERICA.

BARNUM'S NEW MUSEUM.
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AFTERNOON at 2, EVENING at 7½, THE SEA OF ICE; Or, THE MORAVIAN'S PRAYER. GOULD & GUAMING'S COLLECTION. Dwarf, Fat Boy, 20,000 Curiosities.

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KELLY & LEON'S MINSTRELS,
No. 730 Broadway.
THIS EVENING—SONGS, DANCES, BURLESQUES, &c. IL BACIO, LITTLE BAREFOOT, LAUGHING GAS, &c.

IRVING HALL.
Irving-place, e near 14th-st.
THIS AFTERNOON, commencing at 3½ o'clock, Jerome Hopkins' GRAND CONCERT.

IRVING HALL.
Irving-place, corner 15th-st.
THIS EVENING, commencing at 8 o'clock, MR. and MRS. HOWARD PAUL in their MUSICAL COMIC AND CHARACERISTIC ENTERTAINMENTS.

DODWORTH'S HALL.
Broadway, opposite 11th-street.
THIS EVENING, commencing at 8 o'clock, M. HARTZ, THE ILLUSIONIST. THE WONDROUS LIVING HEAD—A MIRACLE.

FIFTH-AVENUE OPERA HOUSE.
Nos. 2 and 4 West 24th-st.
THIS EVENING, commencing at 8 o'clock, BUDWORTH MINSTRELS. JOLLY MILLERS. BARBARA ALLEN, TWO LITTLE LAMBS, &c., &c. PEASBOOTED DUTCHMAN.

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NEWS OF THE DAY.

GENERAL NEWS.

At the annual meeting of the Overseers of Harvard College, held on Tuesday at Cambridge, Rev. EDWARD E. HALE offered a resolution that a Committee of Five be appointed to confer with the Corporation and with the Trustees of the proposed Methodist Institute, to consider the propriety of connecting that Institute with the College. The resolve passed, and the Committee was appointed as follows: Rev. Messrs. Hale, Clarke, Miner, and Messrs. Dana and Richardson. The President, Rev. THOMAS HILL suggested in his report, that great good might be accomplished by the endowment of scholarships for graduates, the incumbents to give a certain amount of time to the instruction of undergraduates.

The difficulty which resulted in the murder of CPN. W. BENT, Associated Press Agent, at Nashville, on the 22d inst., arose out of the publication, in the Louisville papers, of BENT's conduct and treatment at the hotels in Louisville, in connection with McGAVOCK's mother. The *Courier's* article, copied into the Nashville *Gazette*, with harsh partisan comments on BENT, made the facts widely known in Nashville, and assisted to precipitate the difficulty. BENT was a native of Boston, where he has relatives.

The Masonic Fraternity of the United States are invited by the Grand Lodge of Maryland to participate in the laying of the corner-stone of the Masonic Temple, now being constructed in Baltimore. Arrangements are making to have a grand demonstration, and it is expected that Master Masons, Companions and Sir Knights from all parts of the Union will be largely represented on the occasion. The ceremonies will take place on the 20th of November.

Incendiary fires are numerous in Cambridge, Mass. The large mansion corner of Ware and Harvard streets, built by the late Prof. WEBSTER, was totally destroyed by fire on Monday night. It was owned by Mrs. THOMAS G. CARY, who had nearly completed extensive repairs and alterations. The loss on the structure is $15,000, while the damage to the fine grounds cannot be estimated.

The latest news from the construction trains on the Pacific Railroad is that the track is completed 266 miles west of Omaha, and is still going down at the rate of two miles a day. A force of from 9,000 to 12,000 mechanics and laborers is steadily at work on this great highway to the Pacific.

A silver tea-service was presented to Mr. KINGSLEY, of the Continental Hotel, Philadelphia, on Monday evening, as a token of their grateful appreciation of the hospitality rendered the President of the United States and his suite during their late visit to that city.

Gen. SHERMAN held an Indian council at Fort Dodge on the 7th inst. He gave the Indians eight days to bring in the three white women they have, and if they did not return them without presents, it would be war. The Indians then started home to have a council among themselves.

Eight Baptist missionaries embarked yesterday from Boston. Rev. J. J. STODDARD and Rev. M. B. COMFORT, with their wives, for Assam; Rev. J. M. CUSHING and wife, Miss M. A. COTTRELL and Miss A. B. GAGE, for Burmah.

The Bowdoinham (Me.) Bank robbers were on the train recently smashed up on the Portland and Portsmouth Railroad, but were so well secured that they were not able to effect their escape in the confusion which ensued.

The Johnstown (Penn.) *Tribune* says: "Suit is about being instituted against the Pennsylvania Railroad Company for damages incurred by the falling of the platform at that place on the 14th of September."

Rev. Prof. D. E. BARTLETT, of Hartford, has accepted the invitation of the Boston Deaf Mute Christian Association to locate in Boston and become permanently their teacher and pastor, and will shortly be installed.

The playing of organs, harps and other musical instruments in the streets of Philadelphia is to be stopped. Several of the perambulating musicians have been arrested by order of the Mayor.

A little girl named CATHERINE PFLANZ was burned to death in Utica last week by her clothes taking fire from a bonfire of leaves which she had ignited in the street.

The citizens of Newport have voted, by 100 majority, to extend Bellevue-avenue around South Newport, at an expense of $20,000.

LOCAL NEWS.

Yesterday Capt. HARTT, in command of the Metropolitan Harbor Police-boat *Deer*, visited the fishing-grounds around Staten Island to discover to what extent the law of license is obeyed by the somewhat refractory oystermen. Although some sixty boats were hailed, to the credit of their owners be it spoken, but two had failed to secure their licences, and these promised to procure the necessary documents to-day. The *Deer* made the tour of the island. About noon a flat-bottom sloop was discovered upset in the shallows of the outer Bay. The oystermen reported that they had seen her just before the accident, and knew that she was carrying too much sail for safety with the stiff breeze then blowing. The men on board were picked up by a passing sloop. The boat to which the accident occurred, is was presumed, was making for the fishing-grounds without ballast when she upset. On the turn of the tide she was no doubt gotten to rights, and towed to the harbor of the island.

The trial of an action of much interest to ship owners, pilots and others, was commenced yesterday in the Supreme Court, Circuit, before Mr. Justice DAVIS, without a Jury. The action is brought by RUSSELL STURGIS and others, of the Board of Pilot Commissioners of the Port of New-York, against PAUL SPOFFORD, of the late firm of SPOFFORD & TILESTON, to recover the sum of $9,600, being the aggregate amount of ninety-six penalties, of $100 each, alleged to have been incurred by the defendant, within the last three or four years, for a violation of the act of the Legislature which provides that none but licensed persons shall be employed to pilot vessels in and out of the Port of New-York by way of Sandy Hook. The result of this case will be looked for with much interest by all concerned.

Cooper Institute Hall was crowded last evening by an intelligent audience, assembled on the occasion of the anniversary of the American Freedmen's Union Commission. Rev. HENRY WARD BEECHER delivered an able and eloquent address upon the subject of education, showing how essential to good government it was that the masses should be educated. The address was one of the most profound and comprehensive of all his efforts, and was listened to with intense interest. Addresses were also made by Maj.-Gen. O. O. HOWARD, U. S. A., Col. A. J. DURANT, of New-Orleans, and others.

JOHN FOSTER was brought before U. S. Commissioner WHITE yesterday, on the charge of having, about the 5th of September, 1865, sold a quantity of counterfeit fifty-cent currency to AARON MCCARTY, an agent of the Secret Service of the Treasury Department, under Col. WOOD, chief of that Department. The examination was adjourned till the 30th inst.

A meeting of merchants was held at the Produce Exchange yesterday afternoon, for the purpose of devising means for the relief of the sufferers by the recent disastrous fire in Quebec. Addresses were made by Mr. W. H. HARRIS, and Gen. HIRAM WALBRIDGE, and a committee of ten gentlemen was appointed to obtain subscriptions.

A Convention of railroad men was held at the St. Nicholas Hotel yesterday. The object of the Convention was declared to be the improvement of railroad construction, maintenance and management. The subject of safety signals was discussed yesterday and the Convention then adjourned to this morning.

The Grand Division of the Sons of Temperance of Eastern New-York held its first day's annual session yesterday, at Odd Fellows' Hall. A large amount of business was transacted, and officers for the ensuing year were elected. They then adjourned until this afternoon at 2 o'clock.

Deputy Sheriff SIMONSON, who has been on trial in the Court of Oyer and Terminer, at Elizabeth, N. J., for the murder of ASA DIXSON, an oysterman, was yesterday acquitted. The verdict was received by the audience in the court-room with great satisfaction.

A young man named CHARLES JACKSON was found at a late hour on Tuesday night, in South First-street, near Second-street, Williamsburgh, with a severe pistol-shot wound in the breast. JACKSON declares that he was shot by an unknown man, but the Police appear to doubt his story.

A very large meeting of the German Radical Republicans of this City was held last evening at the Thalia Theatre, for the purpose of indorsing the Syracuse nominations. The meeting was addressed by Gen. CARL SCHURZ and R. WEIL VON GERNSBACH.

A meeting of the Twentieth Ward Republican Club was held at the corner of Eighth-avenue and Thirty-third-street last evening. Addresses were made by Hon. CHAUNCEY M. DEPEW, Col. TREMAIN and Mr. MCADAM.

Two decrees of divorce were granted yesterday by the Supreme Court. They are entitled CHAS. MAASCH *vs.* LOUISA MAASCH, and SARAH MEYERS *vs.* WM. H. MYERS.

The price of Gold ruled 147¼@148¼@147¼ yesterd y; Exchange, 109; the Funds firm; the Railway Market active in the forenoon, but lower at 5 o'clock at the close of business. Money easy to the Brokers.

There was more activity in Flour and Wheat yesterday, at much higher prices. Corn, Rye and Oats were also dearer, but less freely dealt in. Pork and Lard were heavy and lower. Cotton closed steadily, on a moderate business. Other branches of trade were quiet.

Our Claims Upon England.

The *Tribune* charges upon the Administration a purpose of forcing the country into a war with England, to divert attention from its political difficulties at home. We attach no sort of consequence to this imputation. It is evidently only one more added to the unscrupulous party endeavors of the day. It is not at all unlikely that our Minister in London may have been instructed to renew upon the new Ministry the demand which he repeatedly made upon that which has just gone out of office, for settlement of our claims for losses by the depredations upon our commerce of ships fitted out for the rebel service in British ports. The late Ministry declined to admit these claims, and Lord JOHN RUSSELL, in his last letter on the subject, volunteered to say that they would not even be submitted to arbitration. He found an excuse for this in an expression used some two years before in a letter from Mr. SEWARD; but our Government had never proposed any such reference.

Lord STANLEY, the new Foreign Secretary, is known to be desirous of an amicable adjustment of all differences with the United States. In his speech at the Cable banquet he expressed this sentiment in the strongest terms. But we are not aware that he has taken any steps toward such an adjustment, nor is it quite easy to see how he could do so in the present position of the question. Our Government has never asked that the questions in dispute, or any of them should be submitted to arbitration, nor could we do so now, after Lord RUSSELL's declaration, with any sort of propriety. Unless we are prepared to abandon those claims altogether, we have nothing left us but to renew the demand for their adjustment. When the reply shall be received, it will then be quite time to determine on the course to be pursued. If we want a war with England, there is very little doubt we can have it. It will not be difficult for a Secretary of State so ingenious as Mr. SEWARD, so to frame his requisition for payment of claims of which neither the amount nor the justice has yet been conceded, as to drag the two nations into a quarrel. But we can conceive of no adequate motive for such a course, nor do we believe that any portion of our people, except the Fenians, have any desire to see the United States involved in a war with Great Britain.

The London *Herald*, which has been regarded as the organ of the party now represented in the British Ministry, gives us to understand that an effort will be made to put the relations of the two countries on a better footing in one respect. It says:

"We have reason to believe that a Royal Commission on the neutrality laws will shortly be appointed, with a view to future remedial legislation. The legal, political and statesmanlike elements will all, we believe, be adequately represented among its members; and our readers may rest assured that when published they will form a sufficient guarantee for the learning, ability and comprehensiveness of view which the country has a right to require of those by whom so vast and momentous a question is to be considered."

This is an important step,—but it is open to the objection of locking the stable-door only after the horse has been stolen. Our interest in the matter now is very different from what it has been during the last five years. It would have been very much to our advantage if the neutrality laws had been such as to *secure* neutrality then; but unfortunately for us, either under them or in spite of them, English "enterprise" was able to do us almost as much injury as English hostility could have inflicted. The mischief has been done. Our commerce was swept from the seas,—our merchant ships were burned in mid-ocean—millions of American property were destroyed by steamers built in English dockyards, by English shipbuilders, with English money, armed with English guns and manned by English seamen, —in the teeth of English laws of neutrality. What may be done hereafter does not so much concern us now, as what has thus been done hitherto. Henceforth we hope to be neutrals ourselves, and our interest lies in the enlargement, rather than the restriction, of the rights and immunities of neutral Powers.

But it is very important to both countries that we have some amicable adjustment of questions growing out of damage already inflicted upon our commerce by English subjects, in violation of the laws of neutrality. We do not believe our Government intends or desires to press these demands in any hostile temper, or with any other purpose than to secure to our people what is justly and manifestly their due. They have suffered severe losses under circumstances which give them *prima facie* a strong claim upon the English Government. They are entitled to have that claim fairly considered, in a friendly spirit and with a purpose of equitable dealing, and to have it settled on the basis of justice and of right. More than that our Government cannot require, and to less than that we are very sure they will not submit.

Secretary Browning's Letter—The President and the Amendment.

Mr. BROWNING's letter on the general political aspect of the country, with special reference to the proposed Constitutional Amendment, might be entitled to attention on its own merits. As an argument against the provisions of the Amendment, and a vindication of the position assumed by the President in relation to that measure and to Congress, it is temperate and able. It derives its principal importance, however, from the fact that its promulgation is accompanied with an explicit declaration of the President's approval, as a statement of his views and purposes.

In this respect we apprehend that the document will operate mischievously, and that its publication is a mistake that will add to the difficulties of the President's position. If it have any significance, it is equivalent to a declaration on his part that notwithstanding the action of Congress and the determination of the North, he intends to continue his opposition to the Amendment and his efforts to prevent its ratification. There would be valid cause of regret in the mere knowledge of the circumstance that the attitude and aims of the President have undergone no change. It were bad enough to know that the irresistible current of Northern opinion in favor of the Amendment has neither convinced him of its necessity, nor taught him the inutility of further resistance to it. But the letter becomes a grievous error when it is considered as a causeless, gratuitous expression of opinion by the Executive on a grave question of policy, at a time and in a form which can only serve to aggravate existing difficulties, and intensify the bitterness which unhappily characterises their discussion. It cannot have been deemed requisite to make known the views entertained by the President touching the Amendment, for these were long ago communicated to Congress, together with the reasoning upon which they are based. Nor has aught occurred that could afford a pretext for the revival of an opposition which recent events have shown to be bootless.

The President's experience of speech making should have satisfied him of the futility of his endeavors to stem the popular current, and win the controlling elements to his side. Mr. BROWNING in his letter says nothing in support of the President's position which the President himself has not already said. And if the President, speaking in his own proper person, failed to produce the slightest change in the public mind, it is not likely that this plea in his behalf will be one whit more efficacious. The reasonable presumption is, that inasmuch as the President, by his persistent opposition to the settled resolves of the Northern people, rendered them firmer than before, this manifesto over Mr. BROWNING's signature will tend to strengthen the position of Congress, and to make more determined the demand for the Amendment as the groundwork of a national compromise.

The more judicious friends of the President did hope that the verdict of the people, as heard in the recent elections, would induce him to reconsider his decision, and to recommend the Amendment to the friendly consideration of the Southern States. When the emptiness of this expectation became apparent, a desire prevailed among many who had faithfully stood by him that he should at any rate waive his hostility to the measure and allow the issue to be fought out without his interference one way or another. For his own sake, and for the sake of the country, we think that one or the other of these courses would have been desirable. Either would have been a concession well calculated to heal existing differences, to promote a spirit of conciliation and compromise, and to hasten the adjustment of difficulties which render the further application of the President's policy impossible. The publication of Mr. BROWNING's letter seems to preclude hopes of this kind. Not only will the President not accept the popular verdict already rendered, but he chooses to enter court as counsel against it. Not only will he not allow the South to judge dispassionately of the situation, and to feel that the issue is between itself and Congress sustained by the Northern people, but by his personal reappearance in the arena he encourages hopes which cannot be realized, and a resistance which will add to the certainly fatal mortifications of defeat.

The stateman's rule of action has been understood to dictate a refusal to answer hypothetical interrogatories. Arguments predicated upon an *if* have been usually disregarded as attempts to elicit opinions with but a partial knowledge of facts. When the whole case is seen—its origin, its ramifications, its immediate consequences—then, and not till then, the astute tactician has committed himself. Mr. BROWNING, for the President, departs from this very safe practice, and proclaims the occupancy of a position of which events may compel the abandonment. He argues against a measure which has the sanction of a large majority in Congress, and of the States which have been heard from upon the subject. And he does this with no other apparent motive than that of influencing public opinion in the States yet to be heard from; forgetting that the people are more likely to resent than to respect any irregular attempt of authority to influence their action at the polls. Thus estimated, the letter is a blunder which an experienced politician ought not to have perpetrated.

The Gold Question.

Our readers will find in another column the report of a very important case in relation to the so much vexed question, tried before Judge SMALLEY in the Circuit Court of the United States. His charge will be found in full, and will be read with great interest, all the more because its views differ from previous decisions of some of our Courts.

The case was briefly this: In November, 1862, which was before the premium on gold had risen here to any extent, the master of the ship *John O'Gaunt* chartered her in Ceylon to bring a cargo to New-York for the lump sum of $29,000, payable according to the charter party, "in *cash* on delivery of the cargo." On the arrival of the vessel here gold was at a premium. The charterers offered to pay the amount of the freight in legal-tender notes, while the owners claimed that it should be paid in gold or silver, and the present suit was brought to test the question. The evidence which was given appears to have been confined to what was said between the parties at the time the charter was made. The Judge charged that if the Jury believed that the parties understood at the time that the words "in cash" meant gold or silver, the plaintiffs were now entitled to recover the difference between the value of the $29,000 in gold and in legal-tender currency, and the jury found for the plaintiffs.

As we have said, this view of the law is quite different from what some of our Courts have held. The question was up before Judge BETTS in the case of the *Northern Light*, among others, where a bottomry bond on a vessel made in a foreign port was by its terms made payable in gold. Judge BETTS held that the libelants could only recover judgment for the amount stated in the bond. Another similar case was that of Wilson *vs.* Morgan, (1 Abbott, Pr. Rep., New Series, p. 174.) which was the case of a charter of a vessel made in Calcutta, and providing that the freight should be paid "in gold and silver dollars," which the Superior Court held was discharged by a payment of the amount in currency. The present case is weaker than either of these, in that it only provides that the freight should be paid in cash, which evidently means not upon credit.

It is high time that some definite rule should be arrived at in this class of cases, and that all the Courts should agree in it. If the United States Courts are to adopt the rule laid down by Judge SMALLEY, the State Courts will have very few cases of the kind brought before them. And till some such uniform rule is adopted, commerce will be so far unsettled and litigation be encouraged.

It is true that the rule which Judge SMALLEY has laid down is not without some support. The question was brought before Judge NELSON, of the Supreme Court, on a demurrer in this very case, and that Judge stated it to be his opinion that if by the true interpretation of the agreement "in cash" meant gold or silver, the owners of the vessel were entitled to specie or its equivalent. But Judge SMALLEY has gone far beyond that, for he submitted to the Jury the question of the interpretation of the contract, on evidence as to what was said by the parties at the time. In this he appears to have differed from Judge NELSON, who said: "The question does not turn on the intention of the parties outside of the terms or words of the agreement; they are to be interpreted *by the Court*, and such conclusion is to be arrived at as the words themselves import, or as the words *explained by local custom or usage* import." Judge SMALLEY has left the interpretation to the Jury, and apparently without any evidence as to the custom or usage at all. We cannot but doubt whether a verdict, under such a charge, will stand or will go far toward settling the main question involved in the case.

EXPORT TRADE OF THE PORT.—The exports of domestic produce from this port during the past week have been on a liberal scale, having amounted to the currency value of $4,680,159, against $2,285,710 the preceding week, and $3,402,121 the corresponding week of last year. The most marked increase in any one item was in the cotton shipments, which reached 4,407 bales, representing a currency value of $795,774, as against 1,240 bales, valued at $207,739, the preceding week. The breadstuff shipments, checked by the rapid inflation of prices through speculative purchases, included 21,000 barrels flour and 168,000 bushels corn. Large exports of cheese, and considerable shipments of lard, tallow, butter, cut meats and tobacco, were likewise made. The petroleum outflow amounted to over a million gallons.

Independent of the produce exports, there were also made during the week heavy shipments of American securities, chiefly U. S. Five-Twenties of the issue of 1862, bought here on foreign account, and promptly sent forward in anticipation of a ready and profitable market for them abroad. The telegraphic reports from London continue to indicate remarkable firmness in the price of these bonds, the latest quotation thence being relatively one to one and a quarter of one per cent. higher than the latest figures made in London before the detachment of the November coupon, representing three per cent. in coin. It is believed that further considerable export purchases of these bonds will be made on the collection by [illegible] of the coin interest claims of foreign [illegible]rs, which interest will doubtless be [illegible]ssfully reinvested in the coin-bearing securities of our Government.

Our political agitations do not seem to disturb the confidence of foreign purchasers of our public funds, judging by the steady outflow of our national bonds in response to foreign investment orders.

The Conflict of Authority at Baltimore.

The Baltimore *American* of yesterday says:

"It is rumored that the Police Commissioners, by the advice of their counsel, will let the investigation before Gov. SWANN take its course without any interference or attention on their part. The Commissioners received a notification yesterday that the case would be resumed on Friday, when witnesses would be examined, &c., but they having filed their answer to the various charges against them, which is now in possession of Gov. SWANN, and denying his jurisdiction in the premises, they will not appear there. A large number of those who made the affidavits against the Commissioners were yesterday summoned to attend at Annapolis on the day named above."

In another article the same journal states that should the Governor proceed with his inquiry, and as a consequence of it remove the Commissioners, "they will refuse to deliver up the books and records of their office." And then a conflict of authority will practically begin.

It is evident that a mere denial of jurisdiction should not, and probably will not influence the action of Gov. SWANN. His right to remove the Commissioners when the Legislature is not in session is too plainly asserted by the law to be successfully controverted; and his right to institute the inquiry which the Commissioners refuse to acknowledge follows clearly and incontestably. A denial of jurisdiction, therefore, will not avail the Commissioners. The inquiry may proceed in their absence; and if they permit the case to go by default, they will have no ground for complaint against a sentence of removal. If their resistance take no more violent form than a refusal to deliver up the books and papers of their office, the chances of trouble will be reduced to small dimensions. The law will be available against them; and to *that*, we are glad to observe, the *American* no longer threatens resistance.

It is satistactory to note that the revolutionary appeals of Mr. FORNEY, and the violent men for whom he speaks, are condemned by the influential Republican journals of the country, with scarcely an exception. Whatever may be thought of the issues involved in the talked-of removal of the Commissioners, the Republican Party give no countenance to the threats and plans by which a few extreme and reckless men have striven to produce collision and riot. The influence of this outside opinion has already operated beneficially upon the organ of the Radicals in Baltimore, and will, no doubt, help to prevent the serious occurrences which have been apprehended.

THE TROUBLES IN THE EAST.—As our readers have seen, the insurrection of the Candians against their Turkish rulers assumes increasing proportions, and the forces of the Porte have forced upon them a task which was not at first generally anticipated. The dangers to the general peace of Europe become more and more menacing, and in fact we may, before long, hear of decided steps on the part of various old antagonists to base a new war upon what is an old difficulty. The existence of a Mohammedan Power so far west as Turkey has long been felt to be an anomaly, which the Christian world has been willing to remove. If, however, the Government of the Porte had been wisely enlightened, and if, sinking all its prejudices against the Christians, it had governed them with a view to their social elevation and happiness, the pretext for insurrection or for interference from abroad would have been less plausible. But the reverse has been the case. There are from seven to eight millions of Sclavonic Christians subject to the Porte. For their education the Government has done nothing; whatever efforts in that direction have been made have proceeded from themselves. The imposts upon them have been oppressive, their general condition has been uncared for, and, in short, added to the hostility entertained upon religious subjects, there has existed all the ill feeling which must arise between bad governors and the badly governed. The natural effect of this has been that the Turks have been watched, and their Christian subjects protected whenever the least occasion arose. In this watching and protectorate three Powers have chiefly participated, but with different aims and not unmixed motives. Turkey holds the entrance from the Mediterranean to the Black Sea. The possession of that passage by one of the great maritime Powers exclusively would be tolerated by neither of the others. And out of the mutual jealousy of nations comes that compact by which Turkey is sustained by all as a guard against the encroachments of either. Thus territorial and commercial considerations mingle with those affecting the Turkish Christians.

We need not trace the manner in which these difficulties have heretofore culminated in European wars. The point to be noted is that what is called the Eastern question was not settled by the Crimean war, but, on the contrary, made more difficult from the animosities which that war intensified. There is a sense of *quasi* defeat rankling in the heart of every Russian diplomatist. There was before that war, the recollection, on the one hand, of Moscow burned and a half million of men driven back by the icy hand of a Russian Winter, and those who were left of them reeling home a disorganized, fainting, deserted crowd—an army wrecked. To these memories have since been added those of the great siege of Sebastopol, which settled nothing, and scarcely glozed over with diplomatic smiles the anger and bitterness which still lived.

And these feelings still survive. Turkey is to-day the despised of the nations, but not to be cast out, for she is a barrier which Western Europe would be unwilling to remove, and Russia would not dare to remove. The interest in retaining her lies with England and France; in sweeping her out of existence with Russia. Already these interests are being vigorously advocated. In Russia the Press encourages the Christian insurgents—and in Russia, as in France, the Press speaks by "inspiration." On the other side, England and France openly proclaim the necessity of preserving the existing order of things or something in effect similar thereto. And these utterances are quite properly to be accepted as precursors of actual movement. We Americans look on upon this new-old drama with various feelings. Chief among them is that following the receptions of our fleet, which were so flattering to our national—well, say dignity. Our officers were assured that we are the natural ally of Russia—"*who has no ally in Europe*"—by a high Russian personage. And without considering whether there is a *double entendre* in the phrase, and whether it simply means that we are exempted from that mysterious programme of Russian absorption of all other nations, which has been for generations the nightmare of Europe, we are perfectly content to do *what Russia would have us do*—stand clear when the storm comes. We wonder whether a European war, in which we simply look on as spectators at a play, would not help us in one way. We want sensations—all the time. They are frequently apt to become dangerous, as at the present. But the orators must "*orate*." Benjamin and his tribe must be paid to talk and even roar. For there is silver and there is gold which Benjamin and his tribe love much. (Is it not $150 a day that somebody said the hero of Dutch Gap received for his patriotic "efforts?") Well, if there must be much talk, cannot the approaching war in Europe furnish it, and zealots amuse and horrify us by their ferocious denunciations of Greeks or Turks—it matters little which—they will be paid the money and may take their choice.

THE WEATHER AND THE PUBLIC HEALTH.—The health of New-York during the past season has been marvelously good, taking the mild cholera scare and everything into account. The rate of mortality has been much lower than any one could reasonably have anticipated. And if the Health Commissioners keep as well alive to their duty during the next four months as they have done thus far, we shall have very little to fear in Spring from any remnant seeds of the pestilence that may lie dormant during the Winter. Still, it must take something of a constitution to stand such changes in the weather as we New-Yorkers have to endure. On Monday and during a part of Tuesday we had a close and humid, not to say warm, atmosphere. Yesterday opened with rather a mild western breeze. Before mid-afternoon we had a sharp northern blast, fully confirming the early telegraphic reports that they had inaugurated the Winter season at Rochester by a snow-fall. These weather-blasts, according to old tradition, usually succeed the after season, which has come to be called the Indian Summer. That season—if it is to be considered past—has overtaken us a full half-month earlier than usual. Its regular coming is early in November. The hazy atmosphere, the wading sun, and the gorgeous colorings of glade and forest were all to be seen and pictured during the past week. But the northern breeze of yesterday seemed to be a clear forewarning that the "melancholy days have come," when green fields and all in nature that is fairest to look upon betoken decay. How we, dwellers on the North Atlantic coast, stand the suddenness of these changes is marvelous to contemplate. We *do* stand them, however, and probably, on the whole, New-York weather is abused more persistently and vigorously than is consistent with the exact mortality record. Not unfrequently the temper of experienced residents of the most weather-beaten class is tried to a severe extent by unexpected *nor'-westers* and *nor'-easters*. But somehow it happens that, if the wind is not always tempered to the shorn lamb, the lamb gets used to it. And that seems to be the general law of compensation, even in the ague-stricken districts of the West.

PUBLIC FEELING IN FRANCE REGARDING MEXICO.—We can readily believe the report of our regular Paris correspondent as to the prevalent feeling in Parisian circles respecting the Mexican crisis. The story of the Princess' illness does not appear to be at all a matter of dispute. She has all along been held to be quite as much responsible as her husband for the acceptance of the perilous mission in the interest of Cæsarism tendered by the chief agent of intervention in Mexico. For the utter failure of that mission, the Princess would appear to have held herself as much responsible as her husband. Our correspondent puts it broadly that the unfortunate lady urged upon Prince MAXIMILIAN an acquiescence in the plans and purposes of the Emperor of the French. But the right-minded class of French thinkers are not slow to confess that while the evacuation of Mexico by the invaders is a political necessity, and the simple undoing of an unjust action, the treatment of the Prince and Princess by their Patron is shameful in the last degree.

SPAIN AND THE POPE.—It is exceedingly interesting to learn that, in the last extremity, Spain has resolved to stand by the Sovereign of Rome. It would be more interesting still to learn who is going to stand by Spain. As the nursing mother of South American colonies, Spain has not been entirely successful; as the nursing mother of the Church, she may do better. But that remains to be proved. Before the announcement of this pious intention on the part of Her Most Catholic Majesty, most people supposed and believed that His Holiness could render Her Majesty far more service than she could render him. But perhaps this notion came of the confounding of temporal and spiritual things, which the uninitiated are apt to fall into.

AMUSEMENTS.

RISTORI'S LAST NIGHT IN BROOKLYN.—Mme. RISTORI makes her last appearance in Brooklyn tonight in her noted rôle of *Lady Macbeth*. The house promises to be brilliant as usual, and we have no doubt the impression thus far made upon Mme. RISTORI's mind, that Brooklyn is *the* place in which to appear, will be indebtedly confirmed. Brooklyn is fond of favorites, and has adopted Mme. RISTORI with a Kelloggian fervor.

MME. RISTORI.—To-morrow night the great tragedienne will appear in her finest rôle, that of "Elizabeth," in the play of that name. On Saturday she gives her farewell *matinee*, and on Monday makes her first appearance before a Boston audience.

THEATRE FRANCAIS.—To-night the new French Opera Company will make its second appearance in AUBER's beautiful opera of the "Crown Diamonds." The work is well known, and has always been popular.

Fine Arts.

The stroller down Broadway will do well to drop in at SCHAUS' emporium and examine a very beautiful head recently placed there by Mr. F. FAGNANI. It is a portrait of a young lady whose personal attractions and well-bred bearing will certainly reward the gallant visitor for his trouble. Most of the oldest and some of the wisest men have affirmed that there is no reward better than that which is afforded by the contemplation of beauty. The profession of a portrait painter in the calm light of such wisdom becomes more enviable than that of philosophy. We can imagine the pleasant idealism with which Mr. FAGNANI after perusing for many hours the delicate and roseate features of the original of this charming work, determined at length to name the transcript after Flora, goddess of flowers, who was also young and fair and revelled in all the blossoms of the blushing year. The fancy is a pleasant one and the treatment is delicate and winning, yet firm, healthy and human. There is far too much prudery in the matter of portraits. Dry goods, as a rule, are regarded as essential to our memory of friends. The wardrobes, quite as much as the face, absorbs the attention of the painter, who kindly reminds us of our souls and our contemporaries. We are glad to find that Mr. FAGNANI, whose position in art gives weight to his example, is willing to moderate the rigor of custom. This "Flora" is a fancy portrait only to the extent that every one will fancy it. We were encouraged to visit Mr. FAGNANI's studio—the season of the year having arrived when this kind of intrusion is not unwelcome. It is situated at No. 12 East Fourteenth-street. We mention the number and street because our readers may desire to participate in the pleasure which we enjoyed. Mr. FAGNANI has several works in progress—notably a portrait of Mrs. Gen. FREMONT, a lady whose vivacious, intellectual and frank countenance needs something more than mechanical skill to adequately illustrate. The artist has seized one of those happy expressions which are characteristic of Mrs. FREMONT, and has interpreted it with ample details, yet without formality. The easy pose of the head, the moulding of the neck and arms, the harmonization of the drapery, furniture and flowers, could hardly be more perfect, while the resemblance itself is absolute. This, the latest work from Mr. FAGNANI's easel, will, we think, be regarded as the best. It is, without doubt, the only successful portrait of the lady we have yet seen.

There are many works in the studio that will illustrate Mr. FAGNANI's remarkable skill in manipulation, and the vital instinct he possesses for expression. Both these characteristics have given the gentleman an enviable position in Europe. The curious in such matters may here examine a portrait of the Empress EUGENIE, of the King of Italy, VICTOR EMMANUEL; of the Sultan of Turkey, of BRIGHT and COBDEN, and of Prof. MORSE and other notabilities. We can estimate their truthfulness by the veracity which we know Mr. FAGNANI bestows on his home works. It is pleasant to be placed face to face with people of whom we have heard so much. Nor when we contemplate the very agreeable canvas called "Anonyma" is the pleasure in any way lessened by the singular reputation of a remarkably beautiful woman. "Anonyma," it will be remembered, created a sensation in London four years ago, and subsequently in Paris. Every one has heard something about her. Here we have her actual features; her sunny hair, her blue eyes, black eyebrows, ripe, full lips, and smooth, well-built forehead. The picture indicates a woman of unusual ability, and of personal attractions of no ordinary kind. It is executed with singular freedom and delicacy. The flesh tints are admirable, and the drawing, as in all of Mr. FAGNANI's pictures, is perfect.

WASHINGTON.

Special Dispatches to the New-York Times.

WASHINGTON, Wednesday, Oct. 24.

ENCOURAGING ASPECT OF THE BALTIMORE TROUBLES.

The prospect of a peaceful settlement of the Baltimore trouble increases. Such arrangements have been made as will insure the prompt presence of troops at the first symptoms of an outbreak. In regard to the conclusion arrived at by the President and Cabinet with reference to sustaining the Governor of Maryland in any appeal he may make for aid, it should be understood as the policy of the Government, and will hereafter be adhered to, whether that appeal comes from the Democratic Governor of

der impossible henceforth the successful prosecution of the African slave trade in Cuba and Porto Rico.

The Minister of the Colonial Department, on the 29th of September last, addressed the Queen, urging, among other things: "The opportunity has then come, and no earlier than on this occasion, on which your Majesty may deign to order the fulfilling in all respects of what has been determined for the suppression and punishment of the slave trade by the resolution of the Joint Committee of Congress and Senate, voted definitively on the11th of July of the current year. In what concerns the Antilles, there is nothing that is not perfectly legal in what is proposed; and, relatively to the Peninsula, the Government gladly assumes all the responsibility of the act; that if at any time it be accused of having exacted obedience to legislative measures, (deficient in the last form, which was opposed as being merely a regulation,) it will always be ready to answer, and will answer by justifying itself through the exposition of what is actually passing in the world; that if it neglected these forms it was not to invalidate rights, but to sustain them—not to disturb the country, but to elevate its interests in quiet—not to strangle and bury beneath the weight of a blind and arbitrary decision the clamors of public opinion, but to realize its just desires, and to carry into practice in the government of our ultra-maritime provinces, and admit the action of the Courts with the promptitude which cotemporaneous events impose." The project of law referred to by the royal decree shows what constitutes offences under its intent, such as the fitting of vessels, and any other act done with them to suit them for the slave trade, as well as the voyage of such vessels toward the coast of Africa, whatever may be their flag; the acquisition of Bozal negroes outside of the islands of Cuba, Porto Rico, or their adjacents and their transportation to these islands or to any other point, the introduction of the same negroes into the islands referred to, or the presence in these jurisdictional waters of vessels with cargoes of Bozal negroes. Subsequent articles show who are to be considered the originators of the offence, who are to be considered accomplices, concealers, &c. The punishment of death is to be visited on captains, pilots, supercargoes and mates of the slavery vessels that may make armed resistance on the coast of Africa, or those of Cuba or of Porto Rico, or on the high seas, to vessels of war charged with capturing them, and the said captains, pilots, supercargoes and mates of vessels that may disembark their crews to acquire or ransom Bozals, or protect or consummate their introduction and should make armed resistance to the crews of vessels of war that may land to hinder the theft, or to the public force on the coast or in the interior of the islands of Cuba, Porto Rico, or their adjacents.

Heavy penalties of both fine and imprisonment are prescribed for other classes of offence in connection with this subject. In view of the reasons given by the Colonial Minister, in comformity with the full State Council and in accordance with the Council of Ministers. The Queen has determined to decree as follows:

ARTICLE 1. After the publication of the present decree in the *Gaceta de Madrid*, any person of color, man, woman or child, who may be in servitude in our Provinces of Puerto Rico or Cuba shall be considered as emancipated and free on touching the territory of the Peninsula and its adjacent islands, or on arriving within the jurisdiction and maritime zone of the same, whatever may be the cause of his landing in said territory or finding himself in the waters of its jurisdiction. Moreover, any person of color who is a slave shall enjoy the blessings of emancipation and liberty whenever, either in the company of his master or sent by him, he treads upon the territory or enters within the jurisdiction of any State where slavery does not exist.

ART. 2. In future condemnation of individuals of color, who may be in servitude to an ultramontane *presidio*, with detension and sale for misdemeanor, is prohibited. Criminals on whom (being slaves) punishment in the *presidio*, with detention and its accessories, may be imposed, shall satisfy such in the *presidios* of the Islands of Cuba and Porto Rico.

ART. 3. If the benefits of the emancipation and liberty authorized by article 1 shall fall on individuals who should have come to the territory of the Peninsula and its adjacents in virtue of a sentence of the courts of Cuba and Puerto Rico, being slaves there, the whole or part of the indemnity which was to be expected for the sale of the slave, now emancipated, and which is prohibited, shall be satisfied in the manner which special provisions may determine in each case. Said indemnity shall never be greater than the average of what might have been produced by the adjudication of the slave at public auction.

Article. 4. When sale on account of crime has for its purpose the payment of costs of process, these shall be officially declared. In all cases the slave emancipated by coming to the peninsula shall remain subject in condition as a free man to indemnity, losses and damages, and civil responsibilities, on the terms prescribed by the laws.

ART. 5. The Colonial Minister ALTRAMAR shall dictate the instructions needful to the execution of the present decree, and for the organization of the presidal establishments on such terms as to be able to carry into effect thereon the sentences referred to in Article 2.

Done at the Palace on the 29th of September, under the Royal Rubric. The Minister for the Colonies,
ALESANDRO CASTRO.

NEW-JERSEY.

The Bribery and Corruption Trials—A Letter from Chief-Justice Chase—He Decides that District Judges May Hold Circuit Courts.

TRENTON, N. J., Wednesday, Oct. 24.

The bribery and corruption cases are still in progress. In the case of the State *vs.* CHARLES RUH, the Jury returned a verdict of guilty on the third count, which charges an attempt to bribe indirectly, with a recommendation to the mercy of the Court. The indictment against DANIEL HOLSMAN was next called. After spending half a day in the examination, the Court said the State had failed to make out a case, and directed the Jury to render a verdict of not guilty, which was done.

The indictment against GARRETT VAN WAGONER, of Passaic, will be moved to-morrow morning.

A letter from Judge CHASE was read in the United States Court, stating that although Circuit Judges cannot hold a court until a new assignment by Congress of districts, yet the Circuit Courts might be held by District Judges.

PENNSYLVANIA.

Gov. Curtin to Address a Soldiers' Mass Convention—Rumored Appointment of Hon. William M. Meredith as Attorney-General.

HARRISBURGH, Penn., Wednesday, Oct. 24.

Gov. CURTIN left Harrisburgh to-day noon for Elmira, N. Y., where to-morrow evening he will address a Mass Convention of soldiers and sailors, representing the Southern and Western tiers of Counties of New-York. The invitations which called His Excellency to Elmira were signed by nearly one hundred soldiers, and recognized him as the soldiers' friend of the Keystone State.

It is rumored to-day the Governor-elect, Gen. GEARY, has tendered the Attorney-Generalship to the Hon. WILLIAM M. MEREDITH, the present incumbent.

MASSACHUSETTS.

Embarkation of Missionaries.

BOSTON, Wednesday, Oct. 24.

The following missionaries embarked to-day on the ship *Bennington*, under the auspices of the American Baptist Missionary Union: Rev. J. J. STODDARD, wife and one son, and Rev. M. B. CAMFORT and wife for Assam, and Rev. J. N. CUSHING and wife, and Miss M. A. COTTRIES and Miss A. R GAGE for Burmah.

INDIANA.

The Cholera—Gov. Morton and the Presidency—Political Character of the Legislature.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Wednesday, Oct. 24.

There were a few cases of cholera here during the past week, averaging one death per day.

A fire last night destroyed GRAYDON'S feed-store and TATE'S lumber-yard on Alabama-street. Loss probably $10,000.

The *Journal* of this morning feels justified in saying that Gov. MORTON will not be a candidate for Presidential honors in 1868, and does not wish to be placed in the category of aspirants.

The official returns for the Legislature show the Senate to have thirty Union to twenty Democrats; the House sixty Union to forty Democrats.

The Erie Railway.

BUFFALO, Wednesday, Oct. 24.

The President and Directors of the Erie Railroad arrived here yesterday evening, for the purpose, it is understood, of holding a consultation with reference to the proposed extension of the Bradford and Carrollville Branch to some point on the Philadelphia and Erie Road.

Fight with Indians.

ST. LOUIS, Wednesday, Oct. 24.

Late advices from Montana say a party of mountaineers, who had encamped at the mouth of Milk River, were attacked by a band of fifty Sioux Indians, and after five hours' fighting the Indians were driven off with a loss of twenty-one killed. The whites had four killed and several wounded.

CANADA.

Prospects of the Confederation Scheme—Hon. A. T. Galt Appointed Delegate.

Special Dispatch to the New-York Times.

MONTREAL, C. E., Wednesday, Oct. 24.

The Canadian public have to-day been simultaneously informed of two facts: the appointment of Hon. A. T. GALT as one of the Ministerial Confederation Delegates to England, and Lord CARNARVON'S non-committal declaration that the British Ministry would consider the question. The two facts, it is believed, have a closer connection than that of mere identity in the time of their announcement. For some time there have been indications of breakers ahead of the Confederation vessel. The delay of the Ministry in proceeding to England, where the delegates of the maritime provinces have been for months waiting their arrival, is unaccountable, except on the supposition that they were aware of difficulties which had not been made public. The change in the composition of the delegation furnishes a similar indication. It had been arranged that Lower Canada should be represented by only two delegates, Attorney-Gen. CARTIER and Solicitor-Gen. LANGEVIN, both Frenchmen, and the concession at the eleventh hour, involved in Mr. GALT'S appointment, that the British population had an interest in the matter entitled to respect, would seem to show that the question is in such a position at home that our Ministry cannot afford to treat the feelings of minorities with contempt. The semi-official remarks also, which accompanied the announcement in the ministerial organs, exhibited a tone of the utmost deference for the rights of the British and Protestant minority of Lower Canada. The delegation, it is stated, will leave on the 7th November. They are to have a public dinner in Hamilton, C.W., on the 29th inst., and one in this city on the 31st inst.

Aid for the Quebec sufferers—Fire in the Woods—The Case of Lamirande—The Fenian Prisoners.

OTTAWA, C. W., Wednesday, Oct. 24.

The city is being canvassed for subscriptions in aid of the sufferers by the Quebec fire. The City Council has subscribed £1,000.

A fire is now raging in the woods north of here, causing considerable alarm to the farmers.

MONTREAL, Wednesday, Oct. 24.

The counsel for LAMIRANDE have advised the British Ambassador at Paris to demand a cessation of the proceedings against him until the facts of his abduction from Canada are received.

The Fenian prisoners here will probably be tried at Bedford, but the day is not fixed yet.

Commencement of the Fenian Trials.

TORONTO, Wednesday, Oct. 24.

The trial of the Fenian prisoners taken at Fort Erie, in June last, commenced at noon. Col. JOHN B. LYNCH was first placed in the dock and pleaded not guilty. Solicitor-General COCKBURN and Hon. J. H. CAMERON, M. P., appeared for the Crown, and J. MARTIN, of Hamilton, and J. H. Doyle, of Toronto, for the defence. KENNETH MCKENZIE watches the proceedings in behalf of the American Government. The prisoners' counsel challenged ten jurors before the Jury was completed, which consists mainly of farmers and mechanics from the country. Hon. M. CAMERON opened the case for the Crown, with an address to the Jury. The first witness, THOMAS NEWBEGGIN, of Fort Erie, identified the prisoner as holding a high command among the Fenians while encamped at Father's Farm. The evidence for the prosecution occupied from noon until 6 P. M. One of the prisoners turned Queen's evidence, and confirmed the statements of other witnesses.

The Court adjourned until 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

The Confederation Mission to England—The Governor and the Lamirande Case—Postponement of the Fenian Trials—The Recent Fire in Quebec.

From Our Own Correspondent.

TORONTO, Monday, Oct. 22, 1866.

THE CONFEDERATION MISSION.

Politics having long been absorbed in the great question of uniting the whole of the British American provinces, people are naturally anxious to have the much-talked of scheme finally settled, as it must be, by the action of Imperial Parliament. Some think that the Provincial Administration failed to secure the adoption of the measure as they might have done in the last session of Parliament, but they excuse themselves by alleging that there was no chance of getting the bill through the Commons after the defeat of the Russell-Gladstone ministry. The Lower Provinces sent their delegates in good time, and it is known that the Canadian Government were asked by telegraph to inform the Colonial Secretary, when they would be able to send delegates to confer with those already in England. It is clear, therefore, that there has been a want of promptitude on the part of Canada, and that delay has been the cause of giving the opponents of confederation an opportunity of using what efforts they could to create a feeling against the union scheme. Messrs. HOWE and ARNAUD, from Nova Scotia and New-Brunswick, have been exerting themselves to the utmost, and have succeeded in securing the support of the *Daily News* and the *Star*, of London. Mr. HOWE has issued a brochure of thirty-seven pages, under the title of "Confederation Considered in Relation to the Interests of the Empire." The production is scarcely worthy the ability of the Ex-Minister, for Mr. HOWE is considered the ablest politician in British America; and the pamphlet will effect very little for the cause he has undertaken. Still, the opportunity thus offered to Messrs. HOWE and ARNAUD may be improved by them to the disadvantage of the confederation scheme. It is no detriment to Mr. HOWE that he was once strongly in favor of confederation; he is skillful in argument, and may effect with the tongue what he failed to accomplish with the pen. Whatever danger surrounds the question is to be attributed solely to our own Government.

The time for the departure of the Canadian delegates has been fixed, and the necessary arrangements are being made. Ministers are exceedingly busy at present, and meet in Council almost daily. Mr. GALT, although no longer a member of the Government, has received and accepted an invitation to accompany the delegates. His services will be of the greatest value, for no man has so good a knowledge of the finances of this Province. The Ministerial delegates will be Hons. JOHN A. MACDONALD, G. E. CARTIER, W. P. HOWLAND, W. MCDOUGALL, and probably Hon. H. LANGEVIN, Solicitor-General for Lower Canada. Mr. GEORGE BROWN would certainly have been invited along with Mr. GALT if he had acted a prudent part since leaving the Ministry. He has played the demagogue, and prevented his colleagues asking him to take part with them in the mission to England. Previous to the departure of the delegates, they will be entertained at a public dinner in Hamilton. The day is not named, but it is likely to be about the beginning of next week. The dinner proposed to be given to Attorney-General MACDONALD at Dundas has been abandoned in consequence of his refusing a demonstration personal to himself.

THE GOVERNOR AND THE LAMIRANDE CASE.

The feeling against Lord MONCK, on account of his ordering the rendition of LAMIRANDE, as a fugitive from justice appears to be confined to Lower Canada, where it has caused quite an excitement. Lord MONCK was deceived by the representations of parties interested in restoring the fugitive to the French authorities. Of course it is no excuse for His Excellency, as he should have known all the facts connected with the case before giving his decision. His advisers are doubtless responsible for His Excellency's decision, but it is quite probable that they had very little to do with the matter, and acted in accordance with his desire. It is a pitiful affair, and places our Government in a very humiliating position; but Lord MONCK must bear the blame, as he alone is responsible to the Imperial authorities. Whether England will think it worth while to quarrel with France about the matter, is a question yet to be decided. The recall of Lord MONCK would, perhaps, be a satisfactory atonement, but it is not to be supposed that LAMIRANDE will be given up by the French courts. That he has been illegally extradited no one can pretend to deny, but there seems to be no way of restoring him to liberty.

THE FENIAN TRIALS.

It was understood last week that the trial of the Fenian prisoners would commence on Wednesday next, but, although several have been arraigned, it is not probable that many will have their trial before next week. The United States Government will defend such of the prisoners as are American subjects, Mr. THOMPSON, the Consul here, having been instructed to employ counsel for that purpose. In consequence of this, the trial of most of the prisoners has been put back. Several were arraigned on Saturday, who said they would be ready for trial on Wednesday week, the time at which the Consul says he will be ready with counsel for prisoners whose defence he has to attend to. One of the prisoners, named BURTON, will have to be taken care of, as he appears to be hopelessly insane. Mr. THOMPSON has undertaken to provide for him. The prisoners can have nothing to complain of, for they are well treated. The Court has extended them every privilege that it consistently can, and there has been no demonstration whatever on the part of the public. It was thought that occasional scenes might occur as the prisoners were brought to and conveyed from the Courthouse, but all has gone well, and not the slightest symptom of discourtesy or popular feeling has been manifested. There is a determination to allow justice to take its course fairly, and that will certainly be the case. The volunteer counsel will probably now be dispensed with.

THE QUEBEC FIRE.

The greatest sympathy has been aroused throughout this Province with the sufferers at the recent terrible fire in Quebec, and in all the cities movements have been started for the purpose of raising funds for them. In Montreal a subscription has been taken up, but in other places the movement is yet confined to benefit concerts and theatrical performances; but subscriptions will follow. If Parliament had been in session it would undoubtedly have been called upon to make some provision for the homeless thousands who have been wandering about the streets of Quebec since the fire. Without Parliamentary sanction the Government can do nothing, as the Executive has not the power to advance money as formerly. It is possible that a way might be found to give assistance from the public chest, for no one could object to the Government giving aid to such a deserving object; but there has been so much trouble about money advances, that the Ministry hesitate to act, although they would most unquestionably be sustained. There is no truth in the report that the losses by the fire have seriously affected some of the Insurance Companies. One may possibly have felt a shake, but none of the rest have been in the least disturbed. It is the largest and most destructive fire that has ever occurred in Canada, and there have been some serious ones in Quebec and Montreal before this.

THE GRAND TRUNK RAILWAY.

This road that has long been in disrepute is now reported to be in a splendid position—everything considered. The manager, Mr. BRYDGES, is one of the ablest railroad men in America. He was formerly manager of the Great Western Railway. His experience entitles him to the first place among managers in Canada; in fact he is far above them all. He took hold of the Grank Trunk when it was believed to be in a hopeless condition, but under his management it has emerged from most of its difficulties, and is now becoming a prosperous concern.

THE MINISTERIAL DINNER.

Information has reached here that the demonstration in honor of the Confederation delegates at Hamilton, is to take place on Monday next, the 29th inst. It will be a grand affair, and it is expected that all the ministers and several members of the Legislature will be present.

PACIFIC COAST.

Fight with Indians near Hardysville—Military Inspection—Cultivation of Cotton in Tahiti.

SAN FRANCISCO, Thursday, Oct. 18.

A Los Angelos dispatch says that a fierce fight has occurred between the citizens and a murderous band of Indians in the vicinity of Hardysville, in which 50 of the latter were killed and the citizens lost none.

Gen. RUFUS INGALLS and Gen. M. D. SIMPSON are on a tour of inspection of the military posts in the Pacific Division. They left Los Angelos Oct. 12 for San Diego and Fort Yuma.

A Tahiti letter of Aug. 31 says that the growth of cotton is extensive. Eighty tons have been shipped to Bordeaux, and 80 tons more would be shipped in January. A steam sugar-mill had arrived there from London.

The ship *Gallatin*, for Hong Kong, took $371,000 in gold and silver bars and Mexican dollars.

Sales were made yesterday of Hawaiian Sugars at 10c. and Eastern crushed at 12½c. a pound.

Costa Rica Coffee is quoted at 23c. a pound.

The extreme quotation for dry hides is 14c. a pound.

American shipping grade wool is quoted at 16c. a pound.

The Panama steamer which sails to-morrow carries twenty tons of Japan tea to New-York.

The money market is very tight, and the rate of interest one and one-quarter per cent. Telegraphic transfer are quoted at four per cent.

In mining stocks there is nothing doing. Yellow Jacket, $615; Chollar, $102; Ophir, $91.

Legal Tenders, 69c.

Wheat is advancing; sales to-day at $1 75 per 100 pounds.

SAN FRANCISCO, Tuesday, Oct. 23.

China advices say that the Marine Court of Hong Kong has deprived Capt. RUSH, of the ship *Fairlight*, of his master's certificate for six months, for losing his vessel.

The Wheat market is quiet at the extreme price of $1 72½ ₱ 100 lbs.

SAN FRANCISCO, Tuesday, Oct. 23.

Arrived bark *Eugenia*, FEY, from the Sandwich Islands, with 300 barrels of oil and 1,600 pounds of bone.

Marine Disaster—A United States Assessor Refuses to Surrender His Office to the New Appointee—Mining Stocks.

SAN FRANCISCO, Friday, Oct. 19.

The *Golden City*, for Panama, sailed to-day, carrying $666,000 treasure, of which $534,600 goes to New-York. Among her passengers were STEPHEN J. FIELD and EDWIN FORREST.

Wheat is unchanged.

Mining Stocks—Savage, $1,180; Yellow Jacket, $600; Chollar Potosi, $81; Ophir, $75; Legal Tenders, $70.

The brig *Perpetual*, from San Francisco, went ashore at Corse Bay, Oct. 9, and became a total wreck. Her crew were saved.

SAN FRANCISCO, Saturday, Oct. 20.

J. M. AVERY refused to surrender the office of United States Assessor for the Sacramento District to JOHN BIGLER, who has a commission from the President, on the ground that the President's nomination required confirmation by the Senate. The matter is referred to Washington.

Mining stocks are dull: Savage, $1,175; Yellow Jacket, $600; Gould and Curry, $380; Ophir, $75; Chollar Potosi, $85. Legal Tenders, 69½.

THE RUSSO-AMERICAN TELEGRAPH.

Progress of the Work in Northeastern Asia—The Natives Friendly—Aid from the Russian Officials.

SAN FRANCISCO, Tuesday, Oct. 23.

News from the Russian-American Telegraph expedition says that the Russian corvette *Varoag* sailed on the 6th of August for the Amoor River, having on board Count POANASSAFF. The *Variag* reached Ghyiga Aug. 15, and sailed four days later for Ochotsk.

Major S. ARASA, chief of the Russian portion of the expedition, had explored the route, and determined in regard to the position of the lines between Ghyiga and Ochotsk.

Capt. MANHOOD had explored the route between the mouth of the Amoor River and Ochotsk, and joined Major ARASA at the latter point.

Various explorations had determined the route between Behring Sea and the terminus of the line at the mouth of the Amoor River.

Timber was plenty, and four hundred poles were expected to be ready before the close of the present season.

The natives were very friendly along the whole route, and offered the use of their dog trains to assist in transporting materials, and have contracted to supply any amount of reindeer meat.

Major ARASA has purchased a large number of dog trains, and established fisheries to supply the dogs with food.

The Russian Government officials have rendered every facility to the expeditionists, without awaiting instructions from St. Petersburgh, and Count AUSOFF has issued orders to all officials to render any service necessary for the completion of the line.

When the necessary material is received the work will be pushed forward with great rapidity.

The Weather—First Snow of the Season at Rochester.

ROCHESTER, N. Y., Wednesday, Oct. 24.

Snow commenced falling here at 1 o'clock this afternoon.

BUFFALO, N. Y., Wednesday, Oct. 24.

The weather here is clear, but very cold.

Arrival of the St. Laurent from Brest.

Capt. BOCANDE, of the *St. Laurent*, arrived yesterday, reports: I left Brest the 13th of October, at 3 o'clock in the afternoon, with 428 passengers and a full cargo; by 49° longitude, we have had a very bad passage and reaching these days, and on this account, our speed was very little. Arrived at Sandy Hook to-day, 24th October, at 10 o'clock in the morning.

BALTIMORE.

False Rumors About Arrival of Troops—Gen. Canby and the City Authorities—Arrival of Mr. Peabody—Dedication of the Institute.

BALTIMORE, Wednesday, Oct. 24.

There are no new developments in regard to the Police Commissioners. Their counsel still adhere to their original determination not to participate in the examination of witnesses on Friday.

Rumors have been current here to-day of the arrival of troops from Washington, but they are incorrect. It is true that some troops are expected here shortly to embark for Texas, and that a colored regiment will be sent here to be mustered out of service. These are the facts which have probably given rise to the rumors of troops being ordered here with reference to pending difficulties.

The interview of Gen. CANBY with the authorities here, all reports to the contrary notwithstanding, was of a most friendly and mutually satisfactory character.

Mr. PEABODY arrived here this afternoon, and was received by the Mayor and a Committee of the City Council at the Philadelphia depot and escorted to Barnum's Hotel. The Trustees of the Peabody Institute participated in the reception.

The dedication of the Institute will take place to-morrow.

THE RIO GRANDE.

Depredations of Robbers—Five Killed.

NEW-ORLEANS, Wednesday, Oct. 24.

A band of robbers on the Rio Grande, about fifty in number, have been committing great outrages. They were pursued by companies of Ranchеros and United States colored troops, and five of them have been killed. The gang is composed of Americans who were enlisted on the Liberal Mexican side, but who deserted after the quarrels in Matamoras. The robbers are all well mounted and are making their way toward San Antonio.

NEW-ORLEANS.

Arrivals—Quarantine Abolished.

NEW-ORLEANS, Wednesday, Oct. 24.

Sailed, steamer *Mariposa*, for New-York.

Arrived, ships *Squandee*, dismasted, from Liverpool, and *Malacca* from Boston.

The order establishing a quarantine has been rescinded.

The U. S. Steamer Sacramento.

BOSTON, Wednesday, Oct. 24.

The U. S. steamer *Sacramento*, Commander COLLINS, hence for the East Indies, returned to-day in consequence of breaking the main steam valve of her forward engine on the third day out.

Congressional Nominations.

BOSTON, Wednesday, Oct. 24.

The Republicans of the Tenth District have nominated H. L. DAWES for reelection to Congress.

In the Sixth District T. O. PRINCE, of Winchester, has received the Democratic nomination for Congress.

Congressional Nomination.

BOSTON, Wednesday, Oct. 24.

The Democrats of the Fifth District to-day nominated WILLIAM D. NORTHEND for Congress.

National Wool-Growers' Association.

CLEVELAND, Ohio, Wednesday, Oct. 24.

The annual meeting of the National Wool-Growers' Association has been called to meet at Cleveland, Ohio, on Wednesday, the 14th of November.

BROOKLYN NEWS.

THE PARADE TO-DAY.—The President of the Brooklyn Board of Education has issued instructions to the effect that the public schools shall be closed after 1 o'clock to-day, so as to enable all who desire to attend the celebration, to do so. The officers and men who have served in the navy during the war, who wish to join in the procession to-day, to receive medals for themselves or relatives, are respectfully requested to assemble (in citizens' dress,) at the corner of Montague and Court streets, at 9½ A. M., precisely. By order of JAMES L. PLUNKETT, Late Acting Master U. S. N., and President of the Sailors' Veteran Club.

The Fifth Battery, light artillery, numbering less than twenty men, will be out to-day, and will be on Fort Greene to receive the medals to which they are entitled. The Irish Veteran Brigade will also be out, consisting of the Sixty-third and Sixty-ninth regiments. The veterans will carry some of the old flags they fought under during the war. They are invited to assemble opposite the Post-office, this morning at 10 o'clock. The official programme is as follows:

To the Veteran Soldiers—Distribution of Medals—Parade and Order of the Procession:

The parade accompanying the distribution of medals to the volunteers of the late war will take place on Thursday, the 25th inst., in accordance with the following order:

HEADQUARTERS, SECOND DIVISION,
NEW-YORK STATE NATIONAL GUARD,
BROOKLYN, Oct. 23, 1866.

SPECIAL ORDER, No. 15.—I. The Commander-in-Chief will be received at the Fulton Ferry, at 10 o'clock A. M., on the 25th inst., with a salute of twenty-one guns, and escorted through Fulton, Sands and Washington streets, to the City Hall.

2. At 11 o'clock A. M. the Governor, city authorities and volunteers will be escorted by the Fifth and Eleventh Brigades, Second Division, to Washington-park. The column will move through Remsen to Henry-street, through Henry to Atlantic-street, through Atlantic-street to Hanson-place, through Hanson-place to Fulton-avenue, and through Fulton-avenue and Gates-avenue to Clinton-avenue, and through Clinton and Myrtle avenues and Cumberland-street to the Park, and all said streets and avenues and Park are declared to be a public paradeground for that day.

3d. At 2 o'clock a national salute will be fired by a battery of the Eleventh Brigade, on Fort Greene, as the signal for the commencement of the ceremonies. The National Guards will salute the volunteers, arms presented, drums beating, colors drooping, and at the conclusion of the ceremonies a national salute will be fired by a battery of the Fifth Brigade.

4th. The Commander-in-Chief will then review the National Guards, the passing review to be at the northwest corner of Washington Park, the troops passing out of Willoughby-street gate, and the parade will then be dismissed.

H. B. DURYEA, Major-General Commanding.
W. IRVING STEELE, Division Inspector.

On the Governor being received at the ferry the procession will form and march to the City Hall, where His Excellency will be received by the Mayor and Common Council, and after the interchange of civilities, the procession will move past the City Hall according to the following order of procession:

Escort of two troops of cavalry, (Seventieth Regiment.)

His Excellency the Governor, as Commander-in-Chief, with staff.

Major-Gen. DURYEA, commanding Second Division of National Guard, and Staff.

Two troops of cavalry and battery of artillery.

Mayor and Common Council, and other City and County officials, and invited guests, in carriages.

Brig.-Gen. CROOKS, commanding 5th Brigade and staff, except the escort of the 14th regiment, namely:

13th Regiment, Col. JAMES JOURDAN.
28th Regiment, Col. CASPAR TRAUD.
1st Battalion Heavy Artillery, Major SPRAGUE.
70th Regiment, (cavalry,) Col. CROPSAY.
14th Regiment, Col. E. B. FOWLER, as special escort to the Volunteers.

The Volunteers, under command of LEMUEL ROBERTS.

Brig.-Gen. J. C. SMITH, commanding 11th Brigade. National Guard and Staff.

Eleventh Brigade, as follows:

23d Regiment, Col. C. E. FRATT.
47th Regiment, Col. J. V. MOSZBOLB.
52d Regiment, Col. M. M. COLE.
56th Regiment, Col. J. Q. ADAMS.
Howitzer Battery, Capt. I. S. AMOORE.
Samuel Booth, Mayor.
A. M. Bliss, President of Common Council.
John Cashow, Hugh McLaughlin, John K. Bulmer, James O'Brien, Philip Brady, Bailey J. Hathaway, F. W. Kalbfleisch, War and Military Committee of the Common Council.

Naturalization in New-Jersey.

The number of persons naturalized in Hudson County preparatory to the forthcoming election, up to yesterday, was four hundred, and the enterprise is still going on.

AN ENTERPRISING CLOTHING-HOUSE.—One of the firm of BROKAW BROTHERS has been in Europe for some months past, selecting goods from the best makers, for the Fall and Winter trade of that house. They have thus the means of supplying the best articles that can be obtained on either continent, and are fully up with the latest and most fashionable styles. This fact, connected with their superior skill and taste in fitting all descriptions of gentlemen's, youths' and boys' clothing, justifies us in saying that customers will find at their establishment—No. 34 Fourth-avenue, opposite Cooper Institute—a style of clothing both rich and rare, that it would be difficult to duplicate at any other house in the City.—*Evening Post.*

No Difference of Opinion.

Mr. A. Leach, (jeweler,) Utica, N. Y., speaking of the "twisted-loop" stitch, made by the Wilcox & Gibbs Machine, says: "Whatever those interested in the sale of other kinds may say, we think that one of its best points is the ease with which the work can be taken out, and then sewed, *if it will not answer to say that this stitch will ravel.* My wife has one of the Machines, and takes a real pleasure in running it. Its simplicity renders it the most practical Machine in the world. I know many who are using it; *and there is no difference of opinion among them as to its merits.*"—*Advertisement.*

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The "WEEKLY RECORD," or news summary—being a careful synopsis and digest of the news of the day—is alone worth double the subscription price to the paper, as it preserves in a condensed and conveniently classified form all news of interest, and must prove valuable as a record to all time.

The WEEKLY TIMES will be sent to subscribers in any part of the country for TWO DOLLARS a year. Five copies, $8; ten copies, $15. Payments invariably in advance.

Extract from a Paris Letter to Phalon & Son.—* * * Under the name of "*Parfum de Cereus*" the firm of Marseille Freres of this city have got up an imitation of your Night-Blooming Cereus, which is pretty fair as regards the quality of the odor, but does not last. Ay! there is the rub. All other floral extracts soon evaporate, while the fragrance of Phalon's Night-Blooming Cereus is all but imperishable.

For Throat Diseases and Affections of the chest, "BROWN'S BRONCHIAL TROCHES," or Cough Lozenges, are of great value. In coughs, irritation of the Throat caused by cold, or unusual exertion of the vocal organs, in speaking in public, or singing, they produce the most beneficial results. The Troches have proved their efficacy.

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The best in the world, the only reliable and perfect dye known. Instantaneous and harmless. The genuine is signed WILLIAM A. BATCHELOR. Sold by all druggists and perfumers. Factory No. 81 Barclay-st.

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MARRIED.

BATLIS—HOYT.—At Manchester, Vt., on Wednesday, Oct. 24, by Rev. Mr. Cushman, THOMAS BATLIS, of Brooklyn, N. Y., to ALICE S., youngest daughter of F. W. Hoyt, of Manchester.

CLARK—DUNLAP.—On Wednesday, Oct. 24, at the residence of the bride's mother, by Rev. S. D. Burchard, CHARLES A. CLARK to Miss MARGERY DUNLAP, both of this City. No cards.

EGLESTON—GOODWIN.—At the residence of Mr. Elijah Lowis, No. 87 Willow-st., Brooklyn, on Wednesday, Oct. 24, by Rev. H. R. Gallaher, Mr. HARVEY J. EGLESTON to Miss SARAH A. GOODWIN, all of Brooklyn, N. Y. No cards.

FLAGG—KENNEDY.—On Wednesday, Oct. 24, by Rev. W. A. Scott, D. D., THOMAS J. FLAGG to NELLIE C., daughter of the late Wm. Kennedy, all of this City.

GREENWOOD—RUDD.—On Tuesday, Oct. 23, at the Middle Dutch Church, by Rev. DR. DEWITT, ISAAC J. GREENWOOD to MARY AGNES, daughter of Joseph Rudd, all of this City.

HICKS—PRICE.—At Elizabeth, N. J., at the residence of the bride's parents, by Rev. Dr. A. Clark, Mr. JOHN M. HICKS, of Brooklyn, N. Y., to Miss CARRIE M., second daughter of Wm. O. Price, Esq.

JACKSON—SEEALS.—On Wednesday, Oct. 24, at her father's residence, by Rev. Mr. Wignall, HEN

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Registered, '81..	113¾	114	June, 7-30.	105⅝	105⅞
Coupon, '81	113¾	113¾	July, 7-30	105⅝	105⅞
5-20 Regist'd, '62.	105¾	106¼	June, C.L.Nt's, '67	108⅜	108⅞
5-20 Coupon, '62..	114⅜	114⅝	July, C.L.Nt's, '68	110⅛	110½
5-20 Coupon, '64..	110⅜	110⅝	Aug., C.L.Nt's, '68	110⅛	110½
5-20 Coupon, '65..	110⅝	111	Oct., C.L.Nt's, '64	114⅜	115
5-20 Coup., '65, new	108⅜	108⅝	Dec., C.L.Nt's, '65	113⅝	114
10-40 Registered.	99⅞	100⅛	May, C.L.Nt's, '65	111⅝	112
10-40 Coupon.....	100¼	100½	Aug., C.L.Nt's, '65	110⅜	111
Gold.....	147⅛	147¾	Sept., C.L.Nt's, '65	110	110¼
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The bonds are for $1,000 each, due July 1, 1886, interest 7 per cent. payable Jan. 1 and July 1, in the City of New-York.

The bonds have coupons attached, and can be held either as registered bonds or bearer bonds, as the holder may from time to time elect.

These bonds are issued for land purchases, and for improvements in Communipaw Bay, under the authority of the State of New-Jersey, and in extension in front of the Company, and in connection with the improvements of the Central Railroad Company of New-Jersey.

The punctual payment of the principal and interest of the bonds is guaranteed by the Central Railroad Company of New-Jersey.

Proposals should be sealed and indorsed "Proposals for Bonds," and directed to SAMUEL KNOX, Treasurer, No. 116 Liberty-st., New-York.

Any further information desired can be obtained on application at the same place, where also a copy of the bond can be seen.

Payments to be made 50 per cent. on the allotment of the bonds, 25 per cent. on the 15th of November, and 25 per cent. on the 15th of December, or the whole can be paid at once. The interest will be adjusted on the 1st of January.

The Committee reserve the right to reject any of the bids not satisfactory to the Company.

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OFFICE OF THE TRUSTEES OF CREDITORS AND STOCKHOLDERS OF THE OHIO AND MISSISSIPPI R. R. Co., Eastern Division,
No. 58 Wall-st., NEW-YORK, Sept. 25, 1866.

NOTICE.—A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE holders of certificates issued by this Trust will be held at the office of the Trustees, No. 58 Wall-st., New-York, on THURSDAY, the first day of November next, at noon, to adopt a plan for the reorganization of the Ohio and Mississippi Railroad Company.

To act upon this important question, the agreement under which the trust was formed requires that three-fourths in interest of the owners, or their legal representatives, of preferred and also of unpreferred certificates, shall be present or represented. For the purpose, therefore, of insuring a quorum, certificate-holders are earnestly requested to have transfers made in their own names, and to be present at the meeting, either in person or by proxy.

The transfer books of the Trust will be closed on the 30th day of October next, at 2 o'clock P. M., and remain closed until further notice. By order of the Trustees,

ALLAN CAMPBELL, Chairman.

UNITED STATES TREASURY,
INTEREST DEPARTMENT,
NEW-YORK, Oct. 9, 1866.

SCHEDULES OF (30) THIRTY OR MORE

5-20 Coupons falling due on the 1st of November proximo, will now be received for examination at the Interest Department of the United States Treasury.

H. H. VAN DYCK,
Assistant Treasurer United States.

OFFICE OF THE TOLEDO, WABASH AND WESTERN RAILWAY COMPANY,
NEW-YORK, Oct. 20, 1866.

THE INTEREST DUE NOV. 1, 1866, ON the following-named bonds of this Company, will be paid on and after that date at the Metropolitan National Bank, to wit: Toledo and Wabash second mortgage bonds, Toledo and Wabash equipment bonds, Great Western second mortgage bonds, Miami and Toledo first mortgage bonds, Illinois and Southern Iowa second mortgage bonds.

A. BOODY, President.

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE, COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE,
NEW-YORK, Sept. 29, 1866.

INTEREST ON CITY STOCKS.—THE INterest on the bonds and stocks of the City and County of New-York, due Nov. 1, 1866, will be paid on that day by Daniel Devlin, Esq., Chamberlain of the City, at the National Broadway Bank.

The transfer-books will be closed Thursday, Oct. 4, 1866, at 3 o'clock P. M.

MATTHEW T. BRENNAN, Comptroller.

OFFICE OF THE AMERICAN EXCHANGE FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY,
No. 141 BROADWAY, NEW-YORK, Oct. 15, 1866.

AN ELECTION FOR DIRECTORS OF THIS COMPANY for the ensuing year will be held at the office of the Company, on MONDAY, the 5th day of November next.

The polls will be open from 12 o'clock M. to 1 o'clock P. M.

WM. RAYNOR, Secretary.

REMITTANCES TO GREAT BRITAIN AND IRELAND.—Drafts for £1 and upwards payable on demand, issued at lowest rates, by W. PARKHURST BROTHERS & CO., Nos. 68 South-st. and 23 Broad-st.

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NO. 170 BROADWAY, NEW-YORK.

NEW-YORK, Oct. 1, 1866.

FINANCIAL AGENCY OF THE REPUBLIC OF MEXICO,
No. 57 BROADWAY.

COUPONS OF THE THIRTY MILLION Mexican Loan, due this date, will be paid in gold on presentation at our office.

JOHN W. CORLIES & CO.

TROY SALEM AND RUTLAND RAILROAD COMPANY.

The coupons of Troy, Salem and Rutland Railroad Company, due Nov. 1, will be paid at the NATIONAL BANK OF THE STATE OF NEW-YORK.

H. G. LOCKWOOD, Treasurer.

TROY, Oct. 22, 1866.

MARYLAND AND DELAWARE RAILROAD COMPANY.

The interest coupons of the first mortgage bonds of the Maryland and Delaware Railroad Company, falling due on the 1st of November, will be paid on and after that day, at the office of messrs. Condict, Jennings & Co., Bankers, No. 9 Broad-st., New-York.

G. W. GOLDSBOROUGH, Treasurer.

GREENSBOROUGH, Md., Oct. 23, 1866.

BROWN BROTHERS & Co.,

NO. 59 WALL-ST.,

ISSUE COMMERCIAL AND TRAVELERS' CREDITS FOR USE IN THIS COUNTRY AND ABROAD

THE ATLANTIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY,
OFFICE NO. 5 BOWLING-GREEN,
NEW-YORK, Oct. 16, 1866.

THE ANNUAL MEETING FOR THE election of nine Directors and three Inspectors of Election, will be held at the office of the Company on TUESDAY, Nov. 13, at 12 o'clock M. The transfer-books at the office of the Farmers' Loan and Trust Company, will be closed from the 10th to the 14th. The polls will be open from 12 to 1 o'clock. By order of the Board of Directors. FRANKLIN ALLEN, Secretary.

SECURITY INSURANCE COMPANY,
No. 119 BROADWAY, Oct. 8, 1866.

AT A MEETING OF THE DIRECTORS OF this Company, held this day, FRANK W. BALDWIN, Esq., was unanimously elected Secretary, vice RICHARD L. HAYDOCK, Esq., resigned.

A. F. HASTINGS, President.

OFFICE OF THE MORRIS AND ESSEX RAILROAD CO.,
NEWARK, Oct. 20, 1866.

THE INTEREST COUPONS OF THE first Mortgage Bonds of this Company due on the 1st of November, 1866, will be paid on and after that date at the Merchants' National Bank in the City of New-York.

ISAAC VAN WAGENEN, Treasurer.

NOTICE.—HICKSVILLE AND COLD SPRING BRANCH RAILROAD CO.—The annual election of 13 Directors and 3 Inspectors of Election of this Company will be held at No. 61 Wall-st., Room No. 13, on the 1st day of November next. The polls will be open from 2 to 3 o'clock P. M.

Oct. 12, 1866. WALTER R. T. JONES, Secretary.

PERSONS HOLDING MARIPOSA GOLD Bonds are herewith notified that the new Mortgage Bonds are ready for exchange.

MARK BRUMAGIM, President, No. 24 Wall-st.

DIVIDENDS.

OFFICE OF THE CLEVELAND AND TOLEDO RAILROAD CO., CLEVELAND, Ohio, Oct. 4, 1866.

A SEMI-ANNUAL DIVIDEND OF EIGHT (8) per Cent., FREE FROM UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT TAX, upon the capital stock of the CLEVELAND AND TOLEDO RAILROAD COMPANY, has been declared payable on the 26th day of October inst., at the office of Messrs. WELLS, FARGO & CO., No. 54 Broadway, New-York, and until the 15th day of November next, and after the latter date at the Company's office in Cleveland.

The transfer books will be closed on Saturday, the 13th day of October inst., at 3 o'clock P. M., and reopened on the 26th day of October inst.

By order of the Board of Directors.

WM. F. STAUNTON, Treasurer.

OFFICE OF THE TOLEDO, WABASH AND WESTERN RAILWAY COMPANY, No. 19 BROAD-ST.,
NEW-YORK, Oct. 20, 1866.

A SEMI-ANNUAL DIVIDEND OF THREE and One-half per Cent. has been declared on the Preferred Capital Stock of this Company, payable, free Government tax, on and after the 1st day of November next, at this office.

The transfer-books of the Preferred Stock will be closed on the 27th inst. and opened on the 8th day of November next.

A. BOODY, President.

UNITED STATES PETROLEUM COMPANY,
No. 38 PINE-ST., NEW-YORK, Oct. 20, 1866.

NOTICE.—THE TRUSTEES OF THE UNITED States Petroleum Company have this day declared a dividend of three cents per share, payable on October inst., payable on and after THURSDAY, Nov. 1. The transfer-books will be closed on Friday, 26th inst., and reopened on Saturday, Nov. 3.

By order,

P. G. FENNING, Secretary.

SENSENDERFER MINING COMPANY.

The Trustees of the Sensenderfer Mining Company have declared a Dividend of One Per Cent. on the Capital Stock for the month of September, payable at their office Nov. 1, 1866, to stockholders of record this day.

Transfer books closed from Oct. 24 to Nov. 2, 1866.

H. A. SHERRILL, Treasurer,
No. 19 Broad-st.

THE CENTRAL NATIONAL BANK OF THE CITY OF NEW-YORK, NEW-YORK, Oct. 16, 1866.—At a meeting of the Board of Directors of this Bank, held this day, a DIVIDEND OF SIX (6) PER CENT., free of Government tax, was declared out of the profits of the last six months, payable on and after Nov. 1. The transfer-books will be closed at 3 P. M., on the 23d inst., and reopened on the morning of Nov. 2.

WM. A. WHEELOCK, President.

THE NATIONAL MECHANICS' BANKING ASSOCIATION OF NEW-YORK, NEW-YORK, Oct. 19, 1866.

THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS HAVE THIS day declared a dividend of FIVE PER CENT., payable on the 1st day of November next, free of United States Government tax.

The transfer-books will be closed on Monday, the 22d instant. By order

F. CHANDLER, Cashier.

MECHANICS' AND TRADERS' NATIONAL BANK,
NEW-YORK, Oct. 12, 1866.

A DIVIDEND OF FIVE PER CENT. ON the capital stock of this Bank has been declared payable, free of Government tax, on and after the 1st day of November next. The transfer books will be closed from the 20th inst. GEO. W. YOULE, Cashier.

ATLANTIC AND GREAT WESTERN PETROLEUM COMPANY, NEW-YORK, Oct. 25, 1866.

A DIVIDEND OF FIVE (5) PER CENT. has been declared, payable on the first of November. The transfer-books will remain closed until that day.

W. A. HALL, Treasurer.

NEW-YORK MINING COMPANY, NEW-YORK, OCT. 25, 1866.—The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Company will be held at the office No. 52 Front-st., on MONDAY, the 5th of November next. The poll will be open from 12 to 1 o'clock.

WM. H. FLEMING, Secretary.

SAVINGS BANKS.

NEW-YORK SAVINGS BANK, 8TH-AV., corner of 14th-st. Six per cent. interest, free of tax. Deposits made on or before Nov. 1 will draw interest from November 1st. THOMAS CHRISTY, President.
R. H. BULL, Secretary.

BUSINESS CHANCES.

TO CAPITALISTS.—A HOTEL-KEEPER, whose reputation for capacity and high social position is second to none, desires additional capital to establish or purchase a really first-class house in the City of New-York. Parties with ample means and of undoubted respectability, will please address, in confidence, Box No. 5,965 Post-office, New-York.

TO BUILDERS AND JOBBERS.—A MEchanic would invest $1,000 in some established shop. The advertiser is a practical house carpenter; thoroughly understands the selecting and taking out of lumber, and would devote his time and abilities to the business either in the City, suburbs or country. Address B. P. J., Harlem Post-office, N. Y.

FOR SALE—A MILLINERY-STORE IN CANAL-st., liquor-store in Wooster-st., tea-store in Grand-st. WM. CAMPBELL, No. 634 Broadway.

FURNITURE.

ALL KINDS OF FURNITURE, MATTRESSES, looking-glasses, &c., cheapest at G. W. SNEDEN'S & CAMPBELL'S, No. 263 Bowery, between Stanton and Houston sts. Goods warranted and delivered free; patent secretary bedstead and cane seat chairs.

ENAMELED FURNITURE.—THE LARGest assortment of enameled chestnut and solid walnut bedroom suites in this City. All goods warranted as represented. Also, mattresses and spring beds.

WARREN, WARD & CO., No. 277 Canal-st.

FURNITURE, CARPETS, OIL-CLOTHS, Bedding, Parlor and Bedroom suites, Pianos, &c., at BENDALL & SCOTT'S, Nos. 209 and 211 Hudson-st., corner of Canal. Payment taken in weekly or monthly payments if preferred.

AUCTION SALES.

ALBERT H. NICOLAY,

REGULAR SALES OF

STOCKS AND BONDS.

ALBERT H. NICOLAY WILL HOLD HIS REGULAR SEMI-WEEKLY AUCTION SALE OF STOCKS AND BONDS THIS DAY (THURSDAY) OCT. 25, 1866, AT 12½ O'CLOCK, AT THE EXCHANGE SALESROOM, NO. 111 BROADWAY. FOR FULL PARTICULARS SEE CATALOGUES, WHICH CAN BE OBTAINED AT THE OFFICE OF

Albert H. Nicolay,

Stock-Broker and Auctioneer,

No. 43 PINE-ST., N. Y.

ARMY BLANKETS.

ASSISTANT QUARTERMASTER-GENERAL'S OFFICE,
PHILADELPHIA, Oct. 22, 1866.

Will be offered for sale at public auction, on account of the United States, at the Schuylkill Arsenal, Gray's Ferry Road, Philadelphia, Penn., on MONDAY, the 5th day of November next, commencing at 12 o'clock M.:

5,000 (FIFTY THOUSAND)
(more or less)

U. S. ARMY BLANKETS,

new and in good condition. Samples can be seen at the Schuylkill Arsenal and at this office.

ALSO,

5,183 pairs Buckskin Gloves,
2,642 pairs Woolen Mittens.

TERMS OF SALE—Cash, in Government funds. Purchasers must remove the property within five days after purchase.

The blankets will be delivered in bales of 50 each.

G. H. CROSMAN,
Assistant Quartermaster-General,
Brevet Brig.-Gen. United States Army.

40,000 TONS

OF

SCRANTON COAL AT AUCTION,
OCTOBER 31, 1866.

NEW-YORK, Oct. 24, 1866.

The Delaware, Lackawanna and Western Railroad Company will hold their FORTY-THIRD AUCTION SALE OF COAL, on WEDNESDAY, the 31st day of October, 1866, at 12 o'clock noon, at their sales-room No. 26 Exchange-place, corner of Wall-st., New-York, at which time they will sell by Messrs. JOHN H. DRAPER & CO., Auctioneers,

40,000 TONS

of fresh-mined Coal, from the Lackawanna regions, of the usual sizes, deliverable at their depot, Elizabethport, N. J., during the month of November next. The conditions will be fully made known at the time of sale.

JOHN BRISBIN, President.

EDWARD SCHENCK, Auctioneer,
LARGE AND PEREMPTORY SALE OF ELEGANT

MARBLE AND BRONZE CLOCKS,

Comprising about 300 of the finest

FRENCH CLOCKS.

The entire importation this season of MESSRS. BENDINER & CIE.

By EDWARD SCHENCK, THIS DAY, 25th inst., at 10½ A. M., at the sale-room, No. 6 Liberty-st., the above large and valuable importation. Each and every clock will be warranted of the finest quality, and exactly as represented. The attention of the trade, as well as private parties, is respectfully solicited. The above are now on exhibition at the sale-room.

JOSEPH HECKMAN, Auctioneer.

FRIDAY, OCT. 26,

At 10 o'clock A. M., at Central Salesrooms, corner of Willoughby and Pearl sts., Brooklyn.

Rosewood pianos, pier mirrors, velvet and other carpets, rosewood, walnut and mahogany parlor, chamber and dining-room furniture, mattresses, bedding, stoves, &c. Also, doctor's chaise, by Goddard, of Boston.

MORRIS WILKINS, Auctioneer.

REFEREE'S SALE OF VALUABLE PROPERTY BELONGING TO THE ESTATE OF THE LATE COMMODORE LEVY.

E. H. LUDLOW & CO. will sell at auction on WEDNESDAY, Oct. 31, 1866, at 12 o'clock, at the Exchange Salesroom, No. 111 Broadway, by order of the Supreme Court, under the direction of G. Tilotson, Esq., referee:

FIRST-AV.—Lot, with buildings, east side, 24 feet north 12th-st., 23.11x100 feet.

FIRST-AV.—Northeast corner 2d-st., 50x80 feet; occupied as coal-yard.

BOWERY—No. 309, two-story and attic brick store and dwelling.

RIVINGTON-ST.—Northeast corner Goerck-st., 40x81.3, with buildings.

RIVINGTON-ST.—Northwest corner Mangin-st., 50.7x61.3, with buildings.

GOERCK-ST.—1 lot east side, 81.3 north of Rivington-st., 20x98.4.

STANTON-ST.—Southwest corner Mangin-st., 20.2x16.3.

CROSBY-ST.—No. 90, with seven-story brick building, 25x100 feet.

DUANE-ST.—No. 70, valuable lot through to Manhattan-place, 25x70 feet.

BROOME-ST.—Southwest corner Sheriff-st., 25x87 feet.

BROOME-ST.—Valuable lot south side, 75 feet east of Lewis-st., 25x110 feet.

BROOME-ST.—1 lot south side, 100 feet west of Norfolk-st., 25x100 feet.

CANAL-ST.—No. 230, valuable property near Hudson-st.

HOUSTON-ST.—Northwest corner Laurens-st., 48.6x65 feet.

MACDOUGAL-ST.—No. 8, with buildings, near Spring-st.

THOMPSON-ST.—No. 105, 26x100 feet, near Prince-st.

PRINCE-ST.—No. 64, 20x83.3, with three-story brick building.

SULLIVAN-ST.—Nos. 78, 80 and 82; valuable property.

EIGHTH-ST.—No. 107, 19 and 10½/12, running through to 9th-st.

EAST 13TH-ST.—1 lot south side, 245.6 west of Avenue B, 25x103.3.

WEST 30TH-ST.—4 lots north side, 400 feet east of 8th-av., each 25x100 feet.

LEASEHOLD.

GREENWICH-ST.—2 valuable lots east side, near Barrow-st.

DIVISION-ST.—52x49.3, near Jefferson-st.

Book-maps, &c., at No. 3 Pine-st.

ASSISTANT QUARTERMASTER-GENERAL'S OFFICE,
No. 18 STATE-ST., NEW-YORK CITY, Oct. 19, 1866.

IN PURSUANCE OF INSTRUCTIONS from the War Department I will sell at public auction, at Bedloe's Island, New-York Harbor, on FRIDAY, the 26th inst., at 12 o'clock M., ten buildings, each 80 feet long by 16 feet wide; eight buildings, each 75 feet long by 16 feet wide; and one building, 50 feet long by 16 feet wide.

The attention of builders and others is invited thereto.

Terms of sale, cash on rendition of bills by the auctioneer.

The buildings must be removed in fifteen days from time of sale.

A steamboat will be in readiness at Castle Gardom wharf on Wednesday, the 24th inst., at 11 o'clock A. M., to convey persons who wish to examine the buildings.

Also, at the same place at 2 o'clock A. M., on the day of sale to convey those who wish to attend with a view to purchasing. For passes and further particulars apply to the undersigned. By order of

Brevet Maj.-Gen. STEWART VAN VLEIT,
Chief Quartermaster.

R. C. MORGAN, Brevet Major and A. Q. M.

MORRIS WILKINS, Auctioneer.

EXECUTORS' SALE OF VALUABLE Lots on the 10th-av, 36th, 37th and 38th sts. E. H. LUDLOW & CO. will sell at auction on WEDNESDAY, Oct. 26, 1866, at 12 o'clock, at the Exchange salesroom, No. 111 Broadway, N. Y., by order of F. D. Tappen, Rev. Geo. H. Houghton, executors, and Ellen R. Ward, executrix of the estate of Ann Eliza Morgan, deceased, No. 1.

10th-av, southeast corner of 36th-st.—7 lots on avenue: corner 24.9x100; inside lots each 24.8x100 feet.

10th-av., southwest corner of 36th-st.—2 lots; corner 24.9x100; inside lot 24.8x100 feet.

10th-av., southwest corner of 37th-st.—7 lots, each 24.8x100 feet.

West 37th-st.—2 lots, south side, 350 feet west of 10th-av., each 25x98.9 feet.

10th-av., southeast corner of 38th-st.—3 lots; corner 24.9x100; inside lot, 24.8x100 feet.

For maps and further particulars, apply to the auctioneers, No. 3 Pine-st.

HENRY H. LEEDS, Auctioneer.

HENRY H. LEEDS & MINER WILL sell by auction on THURSDAY, Oct. 25, at 12 o'clock, at the residence No. 460 West 22d-st., near 10th-av.,

GENTEEL HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, FINE OIL PAINTINGS, MIRRORS, &c., the property of a family breaking up housekeeping.

PARLORS—Velvet carpets; rosewood furniture, in suite, covered in silk brocatelle; rosewood etagere; oval mantel and pier mirrors; upright rosewood piano, Paris make; centre and card tables, &c., &c., in keeping with the same.

DINING-ROOM—In oak, Brussels carpet, &c.

BEDROOM—Rosewood, mahogany and cottage furniture; marble-top bureaus, bedsteads, bolsters, &c.

OIL PAINTINGS.—About eighty fine oil paintings, of the ancient and modern schools, some of which are very valuable.

Also, a copy of Boydell's Shakespeare, with plates, and other books.

Also, bedding, porcelain, glass and other articles.

Full particulars in catalogue.

MORRIS WILKINS, Auctioneer.

ELEGANT HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, MIRRORS, CHANDELIERS, CARPETS, &c., &c.—E. H. LUDLOW & CO., will sell by auction on THURSDAY, Oct. 25, 1866, at 11 o'clock, at the private residence No. 151 Fifth-av., a few doors above 20th-st., all the elegant furniture, &c., contained in said house, consisting in part of richly carved ebony and gilt library suit, in brocade, silk reps; very fine library and easy chairs, bookcases, rosewood sofas and chairs, in reps; elegant French plate pier and mantel mirrors, rich mantel clocks and ornaments, elegant tapestry, reps, brocatel and lace curtains; rosewood and walnut extension and nut French bedsteads, dressing bureaus, armoire-a-glace wardrobes, spring and hair mattresses, Axminster, Wilton and Brussels carpets, rich China glassware, &c.

Also, all the elegant bronze and ormolu chandeliers and fixtures throughout the house. The furniture will be on exhibition by permit on Wednesday, 24th inst.

Catalogues at No. 3 Pine-st.

J. COLE, Auctioneer.

POSITIVE EXECUTOR'S SALE OF 83 VALUABLE LOTS IN THE SEVENTH WARD, BROOKLYN, WASHINGTON AND PARK AVS. AND HOUSTON-ST.

JAMES COLE, Sen., will sell on THURSDAY, Oct. 25, at 12 o'clock, at the Commercial Exchange, No. 389 Fulton-st., opposite the City Hall, Brooklyn, the following, to close the estate of A. B. Grossman, deceased: 9 lots on Washington-av., between Myrtle and Park avs.; 11 lots on Houston-st., between Myrtle and Park avs.; 3 lots on Park-av., near Washington-av. This property is well located on leading avenues, good neighborhood, &c. For maps, apply to the auctioneer, No. 389 Fulton-st., Brooklyn.

THERE WILL BE SOLD AT PUBLIC Auction, by authority of the Bureau of Ordnance, at the Office of the Inspector of Ordnance, at New-York, at noon on the 31st day of October, 1866, a lot of building stone, about nine hundred (900) cubic yards, and also a lot of hewn stone, about thirty-seven (37) cubic yards.

The above stones are stowed on the Naval Hospital grounds, and must be removed in ten (10) days after the sale is concluded, otherwise they will revert to the United States Government.

Terms cash, in Government funds.

J. R. M. MULLANY,
Captain and Inspector of Ordnance.

GEORGE COOK, Auctioneer.

GENTEEL SECOND-HAND HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE.—THIS DAY, at 10½ o'clock, at No. 91 Liberty-st., a large stock of second-hand and new furniture, including solid rosewood, and black walnut parlor suites in brocatelle, reps and hair-cloth; chamber suites of rosewood, black walnut and mahogany; several cottage chamber suits, library and dining-room furniture, bookcases, lounges, chairs, &c. Catalogues at sale. N. B. On Saturday at 11 o'clock in front of sales-rooms, horses wagons, harness, &c.

HENRY H. LEEDS, Auctioneer.

HENRY H. LEEDS & MINER WILL SELL by auction on THURSDAY, Oct. 25, at 11 o'clock, at the residence No. 83 Liberty-st., a few doors west of Broadway:

ENGRAVINGS.—A large and valuable collection of engravings, comprising a general assortment by the most celebrated masters.

M. DOUGHTY, Auctioneer.

ASSIGNEE'S SALE OF SUPERIOR CABINET FURNITURE—On THURSDAY, Oct. 25, at 1½ o'clock. The stock is large, and embraces rosewood, walnut mahogany and oak parlor, chamber and dining-room furniture; several large French plate pier and mantel mirrors, &c. Descriptive catalogues at sale.

J. C. KEMBLE, Assignee.

WM. KENNELLY, Auctioneer.

FORECLOSURE SALE—FOUR-STORY high-stoop brown-stone house, No. 179 West 28th-st., will be sold at the Exchange Salesroom, No. 111 Broadway, on the 26th day of October, at 12 M., by WM. KENNELLY, Auctioneer.

CAMELLIA JAPONICAS AT AUCTION—On FRIDAY, 26th inst., at 10½ A. M., at No. 9 Johnst. The sale will include 500 fine plants of Camelia Candidissima, with other choice varieties; also a select assortment of greenhouse plants.

AUCTION SALES.

EDWARD SCHENCK, Auctioneer—Salesroom, No. 60 Liberty-st.

ELEGANT TROTTING AND COACH HORSES,

ELEGANT COUPE, PARK PHAETON, DOG CART, TOP AND ROAD WAGONS, DOUBLE AND SINGLE SLEIGHS, ROBES, DOUBLE AND SINGLE HARNESS, BLANKETS, &c.

The property of Richard F. Carman, Esq.

By EDWARD SCHENCK, on SATURDAY, 27th inst., at 9½ o'clock, at Mr. Carman's stables, No. 106 WEST 31ST-ST.,

The following valuable and well known horses, viz.: a very elegant span of blood bay coach horses, 16 hands, long tails, perfectly sound and kind, 6 years old, and the handsomest span in the city, and fine travelers.

A span of Trotting Horses, DAN MACE and BILLY BUTTON, 15 hands, sound and kind; 7 years old, and trots in 2:40.

Roan Horse STEVE DOUGLASS, 12 years old; trots in 2:40.

Gray mare FLORIZEL, by Bellfounder; 6 years old; trots in 2:50.

Bay mare, 5 years old, out of Lady Campbell by New-Jersey: very handsome and fast.

Elegant span of dark brown Horses, 15½ hands, 7 years old, sound and kind, and can trot together better than 3 minutes.

Elegant Coupe, by Brewster & Dwinit.
Elegant Park Phaeton, by Parker.
Elegant Dog Cart, by Brewster & Smith.
Elegant Trotting-wagon, by Brewster & Co.
Elegant Top-wagon, Pole and Shafts, by Van Dusen.
Elegant Double-body Wagon, with half top.
Elegant Portland do.
Several sets of Coach and light double Harness.
Single sets of Wolf Robes, Lap Robes, Blankets, Bells, &c., &c.

The above may be seen at any time previous to the sale at the stable No. 106 West 31st-st., which is to let, with room for eight horses and carriages.

Sale peremptory, rain or shine. Full descriptions in catalogues, which can be had at the office of the auctioneer.

HENRY D. MINER, Auctioneer—Salesroom, No. 37 Nassau-st., opposite the Post-office.

LARGE AND ATTRACTIVE

SALE OF ANCIENT AND MODERN OIL PAINTINGS,

BY

FAVORITE AMERICAN AND FOREIGN ARTISTS.

MINER & SOMERVILLE,
THURSDAY, Oct. 25,

at their Salesroom, No. 37 Nassau-st.

Particulars hereafter.

F. COTTON, Auctioneer.

LARGE SALE OF HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, French Plate Mirrors; Parlor Suites, Curtains and Cornices, 50 or 60 Velvet, Wilton, Brussells and other Carpets, Oil-Cloths, Chandeliers, &c., &c.

TO-MORROW, Friday, Oct. 26, at No. 724 Broadway, near 4th-st., the largest assortment of good new and second-hand furniture that has been offered this season. It will embrace every kind and description of good parlor, dining-room, bedroom and basement goods, from a large house in this City, removed for convenience of sale, together with about 50 or 60 good and elegant carpets, oil-cloths, curtains, mattresses, &c., &c.

PROPOSALS.

QUARTERMASTER-GENERAL'S OFFICE,
WASHINGTON, D. C., Oct. 18, 1866.

PROPOSALS FOR BUILDING A LARGE FIREPROOF WAREHOUSE AT THE SCHUYLKILL ARSENAL, PHILADELPHIA.

Plans of the above-named building may be seen at the Quartermaster-General's Office, Washington, D. C., at the office of Brevet Brig.-Gen. G. H. Crosman, Assistant Quartermaster-General, Philadelphia, at the office of John McArthur, Jr., Architect, Philadelphia, and at the office of Brevet Maj.-Gen. S. Van Vliet, Quarter master, New-York.

Specifications will be printed immediately, and deposited at these several places.

Sealed proposals for the erection of the building, including all work and materials, are invited, and will be received until the 20th of October, inst., at noon, at the office of Brevet Brig.-Gen. G. H. Crosman, Assistant Quartermaster-General, Philadelphia, where they will be opened in presence of such bidders as choose to be present.

The cost of the whole work complete, and the time at which it will be finished, should be stated in the proposals, which should be accompanied by the guaranty of two responsible persons in the amount of $10,000 that the bidder will enter into contract with good and sufficient security, within ten days after being notified by the award.

M. C. MEIGS,
Quartermaster and Brevet Major-General.

OFFICE OF ARMY CLOTHING AND EQUIPAGE,
No. 29 BROADWAY, NEW-YORK, October, 1866.

SEALED PROPOSALS WILL BE RECEIVED at this office until TUESDAY, the 30th inst., at 12 o'clock M., for COOPERING PACKING BOXES at the depot of Army Clothing and Equipage in this City, from Nov. 1 next to Nov. 1, 1867, the contractor to furnish hoops, nails, &c., and to be prepared to cooper dry and all boxes at the shortest notice.

Bidders will state the number of boxes they can cooper per day, and the price per box.

Proposals must be accompanied by a proper guaranty, signed by responsible persons, stating that if a contract is awarded to the bidder they will enter into bond for the faithful performance of the work.

The United States reserves the right to reject all bids deemed obj

SHIPPING.

LONDON AND NEW-YORK STEAMSHIP LINE.

Passengers for London, Liverpool or Queenstown will find this a desirable route.

WM. PENN, Capt. DILLINGHAM, from New-York, Oct. 27.
ATALANTA, Capt. PINKHAM, from New-York, Nov. 7.
BELLONA, Capt. DIXON, from New-York, Nov. 17.
CELTIC, Capt. (Consignee) from New-York, Nov. 15.

The new and elegant British iron steamship WM. PENN, 3,000 tons, will leave Pier No. 3, North River, for London direct, on SATURDAY, Oct. 27, at 12 M.

The accommodations for passengers on this ship are unsurpassed.

Freight will be taken and through bills of lading given to Havre, Antwerp, Rotterdam, Amsterdam, Dunkirk and St. Petersburgh.

For passage apply to CHAS. A. WHITNEY, No. 26 Broadway.

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HOWLAND & ASPINWALL, Agents.

GREAT REDUCTION
IN PRICE OF PASSAGE TO EUROPE
BY THE
ONLY AMERICAN LINE TO ENGLAND AND FRANCE.

The New-York and Havre Steamship Company's first-class mail steamships ARAGO and FULTON, having been thoroughly refitted, will leave Pier No. 37 North River for Havre, calling at Falmouth, on the following days, at noon, precisely,

FULTON, S. SAMUELS.....Saturday, Aug. 4, 1866.
ARAGO, HENRY A. GADSDEN....Saturday, Sept. 1, 1866.
FULTON, S. SAMUELS.....Saturday, Sept. 29, 1866.
ARAGO, HENRY A. GADSDEN....Saturday, Oct. 27, 1866.
FULTON, S. SAMUELS.....Saturday, Nov. 24, 1866.

And every twenty-eight days thereafter.

PRICES OF PASSAGE PAYABLE IN GOLD

FIRST-CLASS:
Main Saloon.....$100 | Lower Saloon.....$80
Second class..$50.

An experienced surgeon on board.

The company will not be responsible for specie or valuables unless bills of lading, having the value expressed, are signed therefor.

J. J. COMSTOCK, Agent,
No. 7 Broadway, New-York.

JAMES A. WOTTON, Havre, General Agent in Europe.
L'HERBETTE, KANE & CO., Agents in Paris.

CUNARD STEERAGE LINE,
BETWEEN NEW-YORK AND LIVERPOOL, CALLING AT QUEENSTOWN.
FROM NEW-YORK EVERY WEDNESDAY.

ALEPPO.....Oct. 17
MALTA.....Oct. 24

RATES OF PASSAGE:

Cabin.....$80 Gold.
Steerage.....$30 Currency.

Steerage tickets from Liverpool or Queenstown at low rates.

For Steerage Passage, apply at No. 69 Broadway.

For Freight and Cabin Passage, at No. 4 Bowling-green. E. CUNARD.

STEAM TO GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL.

calling at Londonderry to land mails and passengers.

The favorite passenger steamers of
THE ANCHOR LINE
SAIL EVERY SATURDAY

IOWA.....SATURDAY, Oct. 27
CALEDONIA.....SATURDAY, Nov. 10

RATES OF PASSAGE, PAYABLE IN CURRENCY.

To Liverpool, Glasgow and Derry: cabins, $90 and $70; steerage, $30.

Prepaid certificates from these ports to New-York, $35. To Hamburg, Havre, Antwerp, &c., $100 and $80.

For further information apply to the company's office, 7 Bowling-green.

FRANCIS MACDONALD & CO., Agents,
No. 6 Bowling Green, New-York.

NATIONAL STEAM NAVIGATION CO.,
(Limited.)

Steamers weekly to Liverpool, sailing at Queenstown. The splendid first-class iron steamships of this line will be dispatched as follows from Pier No. 47 North River:

DENMARK.....SATURDAY.....Oct. 27
HELVETIA.....WEDNESDAY....Oct. 31
VIRGINIA.....SATURDAY.....Nov. 3
LOUISIANA.....SATURDAY.....Nov. 10

And every Saturday thereafter.

An experienced Surgeon on each ship, free of charge.

Drafts issued for any amount, payable at any bank in Great Britain or Ireland, or on the continent.

Rates of passage, payable in currency.

To Liverpool or Queenstown...Cabin. $100 Steerage. $30

Through passage to Paris, London, Antwerp, Hamburg, Bremen, &c., at low rates.

Steerage passage tickets to bring persons from Liverpool or Queenstown for $35, currency, can be obtained at No. 27 Broadway.

For freight or cabin passage apply at the office of the Company, No. 57 Broadway; for steerage tickets, at the passage office of the Company, No. 27 Broadway, or No. 275 Pearl-st.

F. W. J. HURST, Manager.

THE BRITISH AND NORTH AMERICAN ROYAL MAIL STEAMSHIPS.
BETWEEN NEW-YORK AND LIVERPOOL, CALLING AT CORK HARBOR.

BETWEEN BOSTON AND LIVERPOOL, CALLING AT HALIFAX AND CORK HARBOR.

ASIA leaves Boston Wednesday, Oct. 24.
SCOTIA leaves New-York Wednesday, Oct. 31.
CHINA leaves Boston Wednesday, Nov. 7.
AUSTRALASIAN leaves New-York Wednesday, Nov. 14
QUEBEC leaves Boston Wednesday, Nov. 21.
PERSIA leaves New-York Wednesday, Nov. 28.

FROM NEW-YORK TO LIVERPOOL.

Chief Cabin Passage.....$132 50
Second Cabin Passage.....80 00

FROM BOSTON TO LIVERPOOL.

Chief Cabin Passage.....$112 50
Second Cabin Passage.....65 00

payable in gold, or its equivalent in United States currency.

Berths not secured until paid for.

An experienced surgeon on board.

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For freight or passage, apply to
E. CUNARD, No. 4 Bowling-green.

STEAM TO LIVERPOOL.—CALLING AT QUEENSTOWN.—The Inman Line, sailing semi-weekly, carrying the United States Mails:

CITY OF WASHINGTON....SATURDAY.....Oct. 27
CITY OF LIMERICK.....WEDNESDAY.....Oct. 31
CITY OF LONDON.....SATURDAY.....Nov. 3
CITY OF MANCHESTER....WEDNESDAY.....Nov. 7
CITY OF PARIS.....SATURDAY.....Nov. 10

and each succeeding SATURDAY and WEDNESDAY, at noon, from Pier No. 44 North River.

RATES OF PASSAGE.

By the mail steamers sailing every Saturday.

First Cabin.....$80 | Steerage.....$30
First Cabin to London.....95 | Steerage to London.....34
First Cabin to Paris.....105 | Steerage to Paris.....40

Passage by the Wednesday steamers, first cabin, $80; steerage, $30. Payable in United States currency.

Passengers also forwarded to Havre, Hamburg, Bremen, &c., at moderate rates.

Steerage passage from Liverpool or Queenstown, $30 gold or the equivalent. Tickets can be bought here by persons sending for their friends.

For further information, apply at the Company's offices. JOHN G. DALE, Agent,
No. 15 Broadway, New-York.

ONLY DIRECT LINE TO FRANCE.

THE GENERAL TRANSATLANTIC COMPANY'S MAIL STEAMSHIPS BETWEEN NEW-YORK AND HAVRE, CALLING AT BREST.

The splendid new vessels on this line will call at the Continent will sail from Pier No. 50 North River, as follows:

ST. LAURENT....BOCANDE.....SATURDAY, Nov. 3
PEREIRE.....DUCHESNE.....SATURDAY, Nov. 17
VILLE DE PARIS..SURMONT.....SATURDAY, Dec. 1
EUROPE.....LEMARIE.....SATURDAY, Dec. 15

PRICE OF PASSAGE IN GOLD.

First cabin, $135; second cabin, $80, including table wine in either class.

These steamers do not carry steerage passengers.

Medical attendance free of charge.

Passengers intending to land at Brest can be furnished on board with railroad coupon tickets, and their baggage checked to Paris, an additional charge of $5 for first and $3 for second class.

GEO. MACKENZIE, Agent No. 58 Broadway.

ATLANTIC MAIL STEAMSHIP CO.

FOR ST. THOMAS AND BRAZIL.

REGULAR UNITED STATES MAIL STEAMERS, sailing on the 22d of every month:

SOUTH AMERICA, Capt. E. L. TINKLEPAUGH, Nov. 22.
GUIDING STAR, Capt. W. C. BERRY, Dec. 22.
NORTH AMERICAN, Capt. L. TIMMERMAN, Jan. 22.

These elegant steamers sail with regularity, and call at St. Thomas. Para, Pernambuco, Bahia and Rio de Janeiro, going and returning. For engagement of freight or passage, apply to GARRISON & ALLEN, Agents,
No. 5 Bowling-green, New-York.

ATLANTIC MAIL STEAMSHIP CO.

EMBIRE LINE FOR SAVANNAH.

Every SATURDAY from Pier No. 13 North River, Punctually at 3 o'clock P. M.,
The favorite sidewheel steamships
SAN SALVADOR, ATKINS, Commander, sails Oct. 27.
SAN JACINTO, LOVELAND, Commander, sails Nov 3.

Through tickets and bills of lading to all points.
Elegant passenger accommodations.
GARRISON & ALLEN, No. 5 Bowling-green, N. Y.

ATLANTIC MAIL STEAMSHIP CO.

FOR HAVANA, VIA NASSAU, N. P.

The British and North American Royal Mail Steam Packet Company's new steamer CORSICA, Capt. LE MESSURIER, will sail for the above ports, from the Company's wharf, at Jersey City, on

SATURDAY.....Nov. 3 | MONDAY.....Dec. 3
Passage money to Nassau.....$45
Passage money to Havana.....50

Payable in gold or its equivalent.

No freight received on day before sailing.

For freight or passage, apply to
E. CUNARD, No. 4 Bowling-green.

FOR SAVANNAH, GA.—MURRAY'S LINE.
EVERY TUESDAY.

The favorite steamship LEO, H. C. DEARBORN, Commander, will sail on TUESDAY, Oct. 30, at 3 P. M. precisely, from Pier No. 16 East River, foot of Wall-st.

Through bills of lading and passage tickets given to all points in connection with Georgia Central Railroad.

For freight or passage apply to
MURRAY, FERRIS & CO.,
Nos. 61 and 62 South-st.

FOR SAVANNAH, GA.—THE ATLANTIC COAST MAIL STEAMSHIP CO.'S side-wheel steamship GRANADA, Capt. MORTON, sails THURSDAY, Oct. 25.
HERMAN LIVINGSTON, Capt. BAKER, sails THURSDAY, Nov. 1,
From Pier No. 36 North River at 3 P. M.,

Through passage tickets and bills of lading to all points in connection with the Central Railroad of Georgia. For freight or passage apply to
LIVINGSTON & FOX & CO., Agents,
No. 85 Liberty-st.

FOR RICHMOND, NORFOLK AND CITY POINT.

The OLD LINE, from Pier No. 21, North River.
NIAGARA, Capt. OCE N.
EVERY SATURDAY, at 3 P. M.
SARATOGA, Capt. KING,
EVERY WEDNESDAY, at 3 P. M.
G. HEINEKEN & PATMOR,
No. 15 Broadway, (up stairs).
Agents New-York and Virginia Steamship Co.

FOR NEW-ORLEANS—BLACK STAR LINE

The steamship YOUNG SHUEY, Capt. HILDRETH, will leave on SATURDAY, Oct. 27, from Pier No. 13 N. R., at 3 o'clock precisely.

For freight or passage having superior accommodations, apply to R. LOWDEN, Agent,
Corner Cedar and West sts.

DAVID McCOARD, Agent in New-Orleans.

STAR LINE FOR NEW-ORLEANS.

The NEW-YORK MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY'S fine ocean steamers will leave Pier No. 46 North River, at 3 o'clock P. M., as follows:

HAVANA, on SATURDAY, Oct. 27.
MISSOURI, on WEDNESDAY, Oct. 31.

All bills of lading signed at the office upon the pier.

For freight or passage apply to
C. K. GARRISON, President, No. 5 Bowling-green.

SHIPPING.

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY'S THROUGH LINE

TO CALIFORNIA,

CARRYING UNITED STATES MAIL,
VIA PANAMA RAILROAD.

Steamers leave Pier No. 42 North River, foot of Canal-st. at 12 o'clock noon, as follows:

HENRY CHAUNCEY, Capt. R. HOWES, to connect with GOLDEN CITY, Capt. J. T. WATKINS, Nov. 11.—ARIZONA, Capt. JEFF. MAURY, to connect with MONTANA, Capt. G. H. BRADBURY, Nov. 21.—SHERIDAN, Capt. A. G. GRAY, to connect with CONSTITUTION, Capt. CAVERLY.

All despatches touch at Acapulco; those of 1st and 21st connect at Panama with steamers for South Pacific ports; 1st and 11th for Central American Ports, and those of 1st touch at Manzanillo.

Departure of 11th each month connects with the new steam line from Panama to Australia and New-Zealand.

Steamer of Dec. 11, 1866, will connect with the first steamer of the Company's China Line, leaving San Francisco Jan. 1, 1867, for Hong Kong.

150 pounds baggage allowed each adult. Medicines and attendance free.

For passage tickets and all further information apply at the office on the wharf, foot of Canal-st., North River, New-York. S. K. HOLMAN, Agent.

STEAM COMMUNICATION BETWEEN NEW-YORK AND AUSTRALASIA.

The Panama, New-Zealand and Australian Royal Mail Company dispatch a steamer on the 24th of each month from Panama to Wellington, N. Z., and the Australian Colonies, connecting with the steamer of the Pacific Mail Steamship Company leaving New-York for Aspinwall (Colon) on the 11th of each month. First and second class passengers will be conveyed under through tickets at the following rates: From New-York to ports in New-Zealand, or to Sydney or Melbourne, $340 to $364 for first class, and $218 to $243 for second class.

The above rates include the transit across the Isthmus of Panama, and the first-class fares are for forward cabins of the Australian steamer; after cabin, latter $25 additional. Fares payable in United States gold coin.

Special steamers run to the newly-discovered gold region of Hokitika, New-Zealand.

Two hundred and fifty pounds of baggage allowed free to each adult passenger from New-York to Aspinwall by steamer; by railroad from Aspinwall to Panama, 100 lbs.; from Panama to colonial ports by steamer, 336 lbs. first class, and 168 lbs. second class. Freight to be paid on all quantities in excess of the above-named allowances on the several portions of route, and according to the rates of the several Companies.

Children under three years, free; under eight years, quarter fare; under twelve years, half fare; male servants, one-half fare; female do., three-quarters fare; men servants berthed forward, women do. in ladies' cabin.

A limited quantity of merchandise will be conveyed under through bill of lading.

For further information, application to be made to the Pacific Mail Steamship Company, No. 29 Wall-st. or to CHARLES W. WEST, Agent,
No. 23 William-st., New-York.

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY'S THROUGH LINE TO
JAPAN AND CHINA,
VIA PANAMA AND SAN FRANCISCO, CARRYING THE U. S. MAIL.

FIRST VOYAGE.

Steamer HENRY CHAUNCEY will leave Pier No. 42 North River, foot of Canal-st., New-York, at 12 o'clock noon, on TUESDAY, Dec. 11, 1866, connecting at Panama with steamer GOLDEN CITY, for San Francisco, where passengers, mails and fast freight will be transferred to the Company's splendid steamer COLORADO, to leave that port at noon on TUESDAY, Jan. 1, 1867, for Yokahama and Hong Kong.

Through tickets issued from New-York, adding to regular prices between New-York and San Francisco the following rates, payable in gold or its equivalent:

	First Cabin.	Second Cabin.	Steerage.
San Francisco to Yokohama	$250	$170	$85
San Francisco to Hong Kong	300	200	100

Due notice will be given of subsequent voyages.

For through tickets and all further information, apply at the office on the wharf, Pier No. 42 North River, foot of Canal-st., to S. K. HOLMAN, Agent.

REGULAR UNITED STATES MAIL LINE

FOR CHARLESTON, S. C., THE FLORIDA PORTS, AND THE SOUTH AND SOUTHWEST.—The A 1, very fast and elegant steamship SARAGOSSA, M. B. CROWELL, Commander, is now receiving cargo, and will sail on SATURDAY, Oct. 27, at 3 P. M., from Pier No. 14 East River, connecting at Charleston with the steamer DICTATOR for the Florida ports. Through bills of lading and passage tickets given to all points South and Southwest.

ARTHUR LEARY, No. 73 William-st.
The QUAKER CITY sails on SATURDAY, Nov. 3.

OPPOSITION LINE

TO CALIFORNIA, VIA NICARAGUA.
THE NORTH AMERICAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY will dispatch the fast and elegant steamship
JERRY W. SMITH, Commander,
On TUESDAY, Oct. 30, at noon, from Pier No. 29 North River, foot of Warren-st.

AT GREATLY REDUCED RATES.

For passage and freight apply at No. 177 West, corner of Warren-st. D. N. CARRINGTON, Agent.

FOR CHARLESTON, S. C.

THE PEOPLE'S MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY. The favorite steamship EMILY B. SOUDER, Capt. LOCKWOOD, will sail on THURSDAY, Oct. 25, at 3 P. M., from Pier No. 36 North River.

Through bills of lading and passage tickets given in connection with the South Carolina Railroad and its connections.

For freight or passage, apply to
LIVINGSTON, FOX & CO. Agents,
No. 88 Liberty-st.

FOR NEW ORLEANS DIRECT.

The new and first-class steamship GEN. MEADE, Capt. A. W. SAMPSON, will leave Pier No. 9 North River, on SATURDAY, Oct. 27, at 3 o'clock P. M.

For freight or passage, having unsurpassed accommodations, apply to H. B. CROMWELL & CO., No. 86 West-st.

FOR RICHMOND, NORFOLK AND CITY POINT.

The side-wheel steamships HATTERAS, Capt. ALEXANDER, every SATURDAY; ALBEMARLE, Capt. BOURNE, every WEDNESDAY, at 12 M., from Pier No. 36 North River; giving through bills of lading, &c., to all points on the Sea Board Railroad and its connection. Freight to Norfolk 5c. per foot; cabin passage $5; freight to Richmond 5c. per foot; cabin passage $6.

LIVINGSTON, FOX & CO., Agents.
No. 88 Liberty-st.

STEAMBOATS.

THE OLD LINE.

SAG HARBOR, GREENPORT, ORIENT.

Steamer ARTISAN, Capt. S. C. Sinns, from Pier No. 45 East River, foot of Rutgers-st.) every WEDNESDAY and SATURDAY, at 4 P. M.

WILLIAMS BROTHERS, No. 5 Beekman-st.

OCTOBER, 1866.—SHREWSBURY, LONG Branch, Sandy Hook, Highlands, Port Washington, Mount's and Brown's Dock, Fairhaven, Red Bank, Fare 50 cents. The new and splendid steamer SEA BIRD, Capt. H. B. PARKER, will leave pier foot of Chambers-st. as follows:

LEAVE NEW-YORK.		LEAVE RED BANK.	
Monday,	Oct. 22, 2 P. M.	Monday,	Oct. 22, 6½ A. M.
Tuesday,	23, 2½ P. M.	Tuesday,	23, 7 A. M.
Wednesday,	24, 3 P. M.	Wednesday,	24, 7½ A. M.
Friday,	26, 2½ P. M.	Thursday,	25, 8 A. M.
Saturday,	27, 10 A. M.	Friday,	26, 10 A. M.
Tuesday,	30, 8½ A. M.	Monday,	29, 8½ A. M.
Wednesday,	31, 9½ A. M.	Tuesday,	30, 12 M.
		Wednesday,	31, 2½ P. M.

Cards in New-York *Daily Times*; at T. W. & A. Marsh's, No. 153 Wall-st.; Lewis & Curtiss, Druggists, No. 72 Murray-st.; No. 2 Dey-st.; and Allerton's Dock, No. 634 Hudson-st.; or Home-Made Dining Saloon, No. 234 Greenwich-st., New-York.

NEW-YORK AND TROY STEAMBOAT COMPANY.—The boats of this line (CONNECTICUT and RIP VAN WINKLE) leave Pier No. 44, foot of Spring-st., for Troy, at 6 P. M., Saturdays excepted. Through bills and baggage checked to Saratoga and all points North. This is the only line North without change of cars.

FOR PROVIDENCE DIRECT.—THE fine steamer VICKSBURG, Capt. GEO. E. HULL, will leave Pier No. 33, North River, for Providence, EVERY SATURDAY AFTERNOON, at 4 o'clock.

For freight or passage apply on board, or to
E. PHILLIPS.
No. 216 Franklin-st.

THE STEAMBOATS DANIEL DREW and C. VIBBARD will continue their regular trips to New-York, making their last passage for the season on WEDNESDAY, Oct. 31, leaving Desbrosses-st. daily at 7½ and 34th-st. at 8 A. M.

FOR NEW-HAVEN, HARTFORD AND WHITE MOUNTAINS.—Steamers leave Peck-slip for New-Haven at 3:15 and 11 P. M., connecting with railroad.

RAILROADS.

HUDSON RIVER AND HARLEM RAILROADS.—On and after MONDAY, May 14, 1866, trains for Albany and Troy, connecting with Northern and Western trains, will leave New-York as follows:

7:45 A. M. Express train via Hudson River Railroad, 30th-st. and 10th-av., through to Buffalo and Suspension Bridge without change of cars, and connecting at Troy with trains for Rutland, Burlington and Montreal.

10 A. M. Express train via Hudson River Railroad, connecting at Albany with Western trains, and at Troy with trains for North.

11 A. M. Express train via Harlem Railroad, 26th-st. and 4th-av., connecting at Chatham with Western Railroad for Lebanon Springs, Pittsfield, etc.; at Albany with trains for West, and at Troy with trains for Saratoga Springs, Rutland, Burlington and Montreal.

4 P. M. Express train via Hudson River Railroad, connecting at Albany with trains for West, and at Troy with trains for Montreal, with sleeping-car attached.

11 P. M. Express train via Harlem Railroad, connecting at Chatham with Western Road for Lebanon Springs and Pittsfield; at Albany with trains for West, and at Troy with trains for Rutland, Burlington and Montreal.

7 P. M. Express train via Hudson River Railroad, with sleeping-cars attached, and through to Buffalo and Suspension Bridge without change of cars. Also sleeping-car every day excepting Saturdays attached from New-York through to Ogdensburgh without change, via Rome, W. and O. Railroad. This train will run on Sundays. Connection for Troy will be made at East Albany.

11 P. M. Train via Hudson River Railroad, with sleeping-car attached, arriving at Albany and Troy in the morning, and connecting with trains for North and West.

WM. H. VANDERBILT, Vice-President.

ERIE RAILWAY.—TRAINS LEAVE DEPOT foot of Chambers-st., Pavonia Ferry:

7:45 A. M.—Day Express for Rochester, Buffalo, Salamanca, Dunkirk, and all points West and South.

8:30 A. M.—Way Train daily to Otisville.

10 A. M.—Express Mail, Buffalo, Salamanca and West.

3 P. M.—Way Train, for Middletown.

4:30 P. M.—Way, for Port Jervis, Newburgh, Warwick.

5:30 P. M.—Night Express, Buffalo, Salamanca and Dunkirk.

7 P. M.—Lightning Express, daily, for Buffalo, Salamanca, Dunkirk, and all points West and South.

8 P. M.—Emigrant Train daily, for the West.

Express trains run in direct connection with all Northern and Western lines.

W. R. BARR, Gen'l Pass. Agent. H. RIDDLE, Gen'l Sup't.

LONG ISLAND RAILROAD.—FALL ARRANGEMENT, FROM OCT. 1, 1866.

Leave James-slip, New-York:

8 A. M., for Greenport and way stations.
10:30 A. M., for Syosset and way stations.
3:30 P. M., for Greenport Express train.
4:30 P. M., for Syosset and way stations.
5:30 P. M., for Farmingdale and way stations, and on Saturday nights to North Islip.

NORTHERN RAILROAD OF NEW-JERSEY.—Trains leave Jersey City for Piermont at 8:00 and 9:12 A. M. and 1:15, 4:22, and 6:02 P. M. Saturday only at 11:15 P. M. The 9:12, 4:22, and 6:02 run through to Monsey.

THOMAS W. DEMAREST, Superintendent.

STOVES, RANGES, &C.

FRENCH AND EUROPEAN HOTEL ranges, all sizes; broilers, carving tables, &c., made by BRAMHALL, DEANE & CO.,
No. 268 Canal and Nos. 247 and 249 Water-st.
Sole Agents for Bodgett's celebrated Portable Ovens.

GOTHIC FURNACES—FIRE-PLACE, PARLOR and portable heaters; gas heating and cooking stoves; Magee's elevated oven ranges; zero refrigerators. ALEX. M. LESLEY, No. 606 6th-av., N. Y.

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REAL ESTATE AND LOAN BROKER,
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TO LOAN—$500,000 in sums to suit applicants.
WANTED—Property in the 8th Ward.
FOR SALE—No. — West 39th-st.; 22x51; first class; with or without the elegant furniture; possession 15th of October. S. W. BENEDICT,
Nos. 4 and 5 Pine-st.

CENTRAL PARK LOTS,
EACH $1,000 LESS

than any within ten squares between 5th and Madison avs. Purchasers will find it advantageous to see these before buying. J. A. DAVIS, No. 54 Walker-st.

300 BUILDING PLOTS, NEAR FORDHAM and Tremont Depots, Harlem Railroad, for sale in shares, and choice of plots to be drawn for. These plots are selling rapidly, and there is now no doubt but that all will be sold, and the drawing take place in November next. Price of each plot $400. Many worth from $500 to $800 each, several having buildings upon them, value at from $1,000 to $3,000. Full particulars, maps, pamphlets, &c., can be obtained by applying to F. GROTE, No. 76 Fulton-st.; GEORGE BANKS, No. 128 Bowery; HENRY STONEY, No. 86 6th-av.; JOHN BUSSING or JOHN BERRIAN, No. 14 Pine-st.; or JOHN CORNELL, Fordham, who will show and conduct purchasers to the property.

FURNISHED HOUSE FOR SALE AT BROOKLYN, NEAR CARROLL PARK.—House three stories, with basement and sub-cellar; front, Philadelphia brick; brown-stone basement and trimmings; contains all modern improvements, and is completely and handsomely furnished; furniture all new; house and yard in perfect order, and ready for immediate occupancy, without expense to purchaser. Very desirable. Price $16,000. Terms easy. HAGGERTY & PHELPS, No. 11 Pine-st., New-York.

AN ELEGANT WESTCHESTER RESIDENCE for sale less than cost, situated in an aristocratic neighborhood, with fine views of Long Island Sound. Large new gothic house, containing 17 rooms, with every modern improvement; fine large stables, complete in every respect; grounds comprise four acres, beautifully improved; great abundance of fruit of the choicest varieties.

A. D. MELLICK, JR. & BRO., No. 26 Pine-st.

FOR SALE, IN ELIZABETH, N. J., A first-class house, with all the modern improvements; gas, hot and cold water, heaters, &c.; house has fifteen rooms; out-buildings, carriage-house, &c.; grounds 125 feet front, 175 feet rear and 650 feet deep; about two acres; possession Nov. 1. Price, $18,500; $10,000 may remain on bond and mortgage. RANDELL, No. 522 8th-av.; hours in store, before 12 M.; at Elizabeth after 2 P. M. No. 1,564 carpets, glasses, &c., for sale.

FOR SALE OR TO CLOSE AN ESTATE—Two neat and comfortable two-story and attic brick houses in fee, in good order; Nos. 19 and 23 Ridge, near Grand-st.; lots 20 feet by 75 feet each. Also, 4 lots north side 63d-st., between 11th and 12th avs., full size; a portion of the money can remain on mortgage, if desired. Apply to WM. E. LEWIS, No. 11 Wall-st., or to HENRY U. SLIPPER, No. 231 Pearl-st., executors of estate of Mrs. C. Donaldson.

A CHEAP FARM NEAR METUCHEN, N. J., one hour from Jersey City, 70 acres choice land under good cultivation; fences in perfect order. Large two-story modern house, large barn, cow-house, carriage house, and all other necessary outbuildings. All the buildings nearly new and built with the best material. Located on perfectly healthy and commanding a fine view of surrounding country. Price only $11,000. PETTIT & FRAZEE, No. 171 Broadway, Room No. 2.

FOR SALE—THE FOUR-STORY BROWN-stone house and full lot, No. 12 East 27th-st., between Madison and 4th avs., one of the most convenient and desirable situations in the City.

House built for the owner, first-class and in good order. Immediate possession given. Apply to
S. W. BENEDICT, No. 5 Pine-st.

FURNISHED HOUSE AT NEWARK, N. J., FOR SALE.—Location, house and furniture all first-rate; ready for immediate occupancy. A rare opportunity for any one desiring a convenient, genteel home, at a moderate price, within 45 minutes of Wall-st., New-York. Price for all, $16,000. HAGGERTY & PHELPS, No. 11 Pine-st., New-York.

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EDUCATION FOR THE SOUTH.

Anniversary of the Freedmen's Union Commission.

Rev. Henry Ward Beecher on Education.

Addresses by Major-Gen. Howard, Col T. J. Durant, and Others.

Cooper-Institute Hall was crowded to its utmost capacity, last evening, with a brilliant assemblage of ladies and gentlemen, who had gathered there to listen to an address by Rev. HENRY WARD BEECHER. The occasion of the meeting was the celebration of the anniversary of the American Freedmen's Union Commission. Tickets of invitation had been issued, but the spacious hall was not sufficiently capacious to hold all who desired to attend. Ladies, as well as gentlemen, were forced to stand up in the aisles throughout the entire evening. It had been announced that Chief-Justice CHASE would be present and officiate as presiding officer, but FRANCIS G. SHAW, Esq., President of the New-York branch of the Commission, stated that professional engagements would prevent the distinguished President of the Commission from being present. Mr. SHAW was then called upon to preside over the meeting.

After a prayer by Rev. CRAMMOND KENNEDY, Mr. MCKIM read a letter from Mr. CHASE, wherein he accepts the Presidency of the Commission, and states that he heartily approves of the objects it has in view.

Rev. LYMAN ABBOTT, General Secretary of the Commission, made an address, setting forth the objects of the Commission, the work done, and what yet remains to be done. The object of this Commission, as set forth in its Constitution, is "the relief, education and elevation of the Freedmen of the United States, and to aid and cooperate with the people of the South, without distinction of race or color, in the improvement of their condition, upon the basis of industry, education, freedom and Christian morality." The Commission being entirely unsectarian and unpartisan, appeals to the sympathies of all who desire the elevation of the human race. Of the 1,386 teachers who have been sent to the South for the education of the freed people and the poor white children, 760 have been sent, supported and paid by this Commission, and one-third of this number by the New-York branch alone. 301 schools have been sustained by the Commission, and 50,000 pupils taught therein, and relief to the amount of half a million of dollars has been afforded to hundreds of thousands of the destitute, aged, infirm and sick of all complexions. There are still over 700,000 colored children in the South old enough to attend school, for whom no educational facilities have as yet been provided, and there are quite as many white children equally in want of them. The Commission has done much in this great educational and christianizing work, and daily the leading Southerners are becoming more willing to cooperate with its agents. To enable the Commission to extend its sphere of usefulness it appeals to the community for assistance on the occasion of this anniversary.

The following resolution was received by Mr. ABBOTT, who said that the question upon its adoption would be put after the addresses of Mr. BEECHER and the other speakers:

Resolved, That it is expedient that the sum of $100,000 be raised in this City and vicinity for the education of the freedmen, and that the cooperation of this meeting is pledged to the work of carrying this resolution into effect:

Mr. ABBOTT also announced that cards would be found in the seats upon which those who desired to contribute were requested to state the amount and their residence. During the evening a collection was taken up and a large sum realized, but the exact amount could not be ascertained.

The announcement that Rev. HENRY WARD BEECHER would address the meeting drew an immense audience, who were desirous of hearing his opinion regarding the perplexities of the negro question and its bearings upon the reconstruction of the South. It was well known that Mr. BEECHER had repeatedly and recently reaffirmed his theory of "gradual progression," or, in other words, that he reasserted his belief that the advancement of the black man toward perfect equality must be by steps and after a pilgrimage akin to the forty years' travel of the Israelites in the wilderness, and it was with much interest and curiosity that the audience waited for his utterance, hoping that he would deem it wise to enter upon that branch of the question on this occasion. Upon his introduction by the Chairman, he was received with a storm of applause, which was continued at intervals during the entire address.

MR. BEECHER'S ADDRESS.

No charge has been more universally made against American society, than that it was addicted to material interest—that this was the vice of Democrats. No charge was ever more untrue. Although it has a superficial appearance of being true, there never has been a time in our history, when there did not rule, down deep in the heart of this nation, a sense of the necessity of intelligence and of religion. They have been regarded as those elements which were to inspire material prosperity, and redeem wealth from its temptations and its mischiefs. This spirit has had its course, but never has been universally national; for, hitherto flowing southward, like the Gulf Stream, it has struck upon shoals which deflected it and bore it away westward; so that the tide, which, setting out from New-England and the North, has been flowing and carrying fertility over all the rest of the continent, has scarcely reached the Southern States, and the reason has been that the nature of institutions in the South forbid the incursion of intelligence. Aristocratic institutions invariably defend themselves from without, and demand the right of standing still, and so there we could not reach as we would the people; we could not teach as we should and as we should. If a man went with a school-book, it was a penitentiary offence to teach the black children; if he went with the Bible, it must be distributed to all through the few superior sons; if we went with tracts, we were likely to be arraigned and imprisoned for circulating inflammatory documents; we could not carry the Declaration of Independence, nor even the declaration of the world's independence as contained in the Evangelists, promiscuously throughout the South; and as that familiar engineery which we know in the North as the means of propagation of religion and education was substantially forbidden in the South, and the consequence was that the whole tide of propagandism turned westward. Now, with new impulses, however, that feeling is moving on again. The first object it meets is sectional jealousy. It is supposed it will be impossible for the North to leave the South with its ideas, but I say it will be impossible to prevent it. [Applause.] These things are not matters of arrangement, but of natural law. The work does not turn on human volition, but on Divine decree; and if there be one truth truer than another it is that by a natural Divine law that people who represent the higher faculties of the human soul in a free State will always predominate; as sure as in the great community the nations that represent the highest civilization will dominate over those relatively lower and more barbarous, so among individuals in a community, in the long run, the man who represents the highest form of development will predominate over those that represent the lower, and within the bounds of any nation, that part of the nation which, prolific with the highest moral conception and the largest intellect, will surely pervade and predominate over every other. It has been proposed as a remedy to cut off New-England. [Laughter.] Throw her off; well, that is as if a ship anchored at the wharf, threatening the city, in a state of insurrection, should be shoved out to anchor half a mile off. Could it not as well throw its bombs from there. You can't shut New-England off from the continent so that it can't have a good range. You never need attempt it. [Cheers.] Ideas are free; they fly through the air, they run boundary lines, they defy inspection; no man can stop the truth, for if there be in the North conceptions of mind that are higher than those that prevail in the Middle, the Western, or the Southern States, or anywhere else, with a fair field, with liberty of discussion, of the press, they will surely have the victory, and you cannot help it; and that stream which has hitherto flowed westward and into the Middle States shall flow South, and you can't help it; for it is in the very essential nature of liberty that the very individual members of this great community shall move freely on each other. When drops can't move freely on each other the water is frozen, but when it is unfrozen it will move on. States have the liberty of acting upon States, and sections upon sections; and it is but the larger expression of that same freedom which we mean when we speak of the individual liberty of all men to do within law what is right and proper, and this great community is no longer to be a sectionalized community, but one body, so that the foot and the head and the trunk, shall be intimately connected, without a stop or check in the circulation throughout the whole. We are to have a nobility of liberty; a country so united that ere long there shall be no longer either North, South, East or West in moral considerations—one nation, and only one. [Applause.] When, therefore, it is said we can't carry on a great system of education because sectional jealousies will meet and obstruct it. Yes, they will meet it as the last hours of darkness meet the coming sun; they become first paler darkness, then twilight, then glowing day light, and at last perfect sunlight, and the interchange of thought and feeling through this great nation is so great in its extent as to be a fair parallel to that great system of exchange which obtains upon the globe by which the equator exports its surplus heat to the poles, and the poles pay back their surplus coldness, and by this great revolution along the earth and into the sea creates climates and seasons and all those changes which make the earth prolific and beautiful; so there is to be this continual flow and reflow of thought and sympathy and feeling throughout the whole continent of America; and even Mexico will by and by come into the same system of exchanges; and as to Canada, she is already sufficiently of us; the only difference between Canada and the United States is that difference which, if you will allow me to allude to private and denominational matters, we are accustomed familiarly to say is the difference between Presbyterianism and Congregationalism—just a difference in the form, and that is all; the people are the same, their ideas are the same. Congregationalism is, of course, a little the best. [Laughter.] This tendency, however, is met by the notion that all this zeal for education is mere philanthropism, and anything that ends with "ism" is in great contempt with some men. It is said that it is a transient thing, like the burning of straw, which has a bright flame but will leave neither coals nor duration; moreover it is said that the objects upon which it is proposed to expend this zeal are unworthy of it, and you cannot make anything of them. Now it is necessary to show that in America education is not given as a doll or charity; it is a right, not a charity. It is not something that I have and can give to you as a gift; it is something that belongs to every individual man by virtue of his creation, and we diffuse it from philanthropy to be sure, but still as a duty. Aye, more than that; we give education because we are perfectly certain that education of the whole mass of the community is our preservation, and universal education is the premium we pay for national life assurance. [Cheering.] I propose, then, to speak a few words as respects the fundamental matter of education. To make a full citizen we must unfold and turn his whole nature. I think that in European countries people have been treated as now in many States land is treated here; a farmer is not aware that he owns more than three inches of the ground he treads on; he turns up the top and the rest goes for nothing. Improved agriculture teaches a man that he owns thirteen inches deep; yes, twenty-four, if he choose to use it; and now we understand that deep husbandry is the only good husbandry. Now the Europeans have skimmed their people and taken the top off! They never have thrust down the plow of education deep enough among the people to turn up the subsoil and make it more fruitful. The time is coming, and we are set, I think, to accomplish the demonstration when the whole people are to be educated; but we hold, however excellent it may be, if you cannot do better, to educate a class, and a considerable class, that the sublimest idea that was ever presented to the human mind—an idea springing from the very nature of the Gospel of Christ itself—is the right and duty to educate the sum total of the population, doing for all what others do only for a class. Now in this training of the people there are two schools that are natural and one that is artificial. The physical globe and our necessities to escape from hunger and cold are the first schoolmaster. The second school is civil society, the necessity of living together in society in obedience to law, especially in a free community where the laws are made and administered by the people themselves. These are the two natural schools. But beside these there are common schools, academies, colleges and what not, to train the faculties systematically according to certain rules of experience, and these are what I call artificial schools. These are the methods by which we attempt to unfold the faculties of the people—first, by giving them each a part of God's world; for I think that, as every man owns something upward, something of the air and the sunlight, which no man can take away, so every man has a right to own, and should own, something in the other direction—a portion of the earth greater than that on which he stands, or that which is necessary to cover him. [Applause.] The right to land is a most sacred right, but I do not propose to discuss it to-night. To be a free-voting citizen of a civilized community is the second great educator of the kind; and when upon the education thus given you have superimposed that of the schools and academies, the circle is complete. Every one of those three belongs to every individual, without regard to class, nationality, color or any other adventitious circumstance. [Applause.] Let us look now at the reasons for giving this education. In my own private feelings the strongest reason for giving it is the religious feeling, though I shall not discuss that to-night. We educate a man because he is a god, and returns to God. There can be no higher reason than that. Next a sacred, and every creature that God has made and sent into the world, every member of the great human family, has a right to education, and there is a solemn and sacred duty resting upon all of us who have it to impart it to him, because he is a child of God and an heir to immortality. I merely state this reason and then pass to the society reasons, which are two—first, because society by education develops power. Second, because by education society develops safety. In other nations power is supposed to reside in the Government. Here we have reversed that statement. We go back to the psychological doctrine that the averages of a nation's power depend upon its units of power; that the stronger you make each individual man, woman and child, (for I am a Womans' Rights man,) the stronger you make each factor of the community, the greater the community itself. The value of a handful of coin is not to be determined merely by counting the pieces; you must also consider the quality of the material. So, the worth of a community is not to be determined by merely counting or weighing its members, nor by counting its ships, its farms or its warehouses. You have not to go back to the causes that produce these results, until the nation is estimated when you have estimated those causes. Now, those causes are the men of the nation. And the just estimation of men depends upon this—how much of all that goes to make up the man, mentally, intellectually and morally, has been cultivated and made efficient and productive. It is peculiarly in the power of our institutions to stimulate and aid this individual growth and development. Here we draw a broad line of demarcation between our own and foreign systems and ideas. We hold, and I think it can be shown to be true in philosophy, that a community is safe just in the ratio in which the individual members of it are made thoroughly strong by education and general development. It has been said that ignorance is the mother not only of devotion but of obedience, and that an ignorant community is a great deal more easily managed than an intelligent one. Easily managed, yes; but at the expense of its power and its life. It is easily managed for the same reason that a man half dead is easily managed; but what is such a man good for? [Laughter.] Would you kill a horse in order to break him to the harness? Under despotic governments they smother men in order to keep them still. In order that they may not run away, they blind them. In order that they may not clamor inconveniently for knowledge, they make them deaf and dumb. Why, according to that doctrine, the supremest kingdom is the graveyard. Nothing is troublesome there. But we hold that no community, being vital and strong, is so easily manageable as one which from top to bottom is thoroughly developed and educated. *Is* not a mere *theory*—a mere empirical assertion? I think not. My own conviction is that God has made man so that every man when properly educated and developed is himself a well-ordered commonwealth. If you educate only half the man you have confusion; if you educate three-quarters of the man, confusion still; but as you go on you will find that the tendency is toward balance and self-government, and when you have educated every faculty equally and fully you will find each mind symmetrical, carrying within itself poise and counterpoise, and making the balance complete, so that the man if self-governing. We have learned in this country by experience that no man is so easily governed as the man who does not need to be governed. We have found that in no other land is character so safe, or law so generally obeyed, as in the land where the people make the laws and the tribunals that execute them. [Applause.] The Asiatic doctrine is, monarchy for the sake of the monarch. The European doctrine is, monarchy for the sake of the people. The American doctrine is, government by society for society. [Applause.] We adhere to our American notion that the safest society and the strongest society is that which is thoroughly educated. It is not safe, therefore, according to our own principles, to leave any part of our land uneducated. It would not be safe even if it were possible for you to cut upon a plan which should carry nourishment to only three-fourths of your body. If you did so, you would soon be a cripple. And so in the body politic you can have health only when you have given education to every member of it, to everything that walks under the name of a man. [Applause.] But we are met here with the assertion that although education is good and important where men are susceptible of it, yet that all men are not susceptible of it; that some men are but one connecting link between the true race and the preceding one, whatever it was, and that they are to be treated, to be sure, according to their susceptibility, with compassion and benevolence; but that to apply to them the same general doctrines which we apply to superior races is absurd. And we hear much in these days about superior and inferior races, and there are men who would have us make equity turn upon this alleged quality of superiority or inferiority. As if justice in family intercourse were to be determined in the ratio of the avoirdupois weight of the members of the family, as if a large man should say to a smaller one: "I deserve more rights than you do, because I weigh fifty pounds more than you do." [Laughter and cheers.] As if inferiority or superiority, actual or supposed, had anything to do with these great primordial rights of man. But let us look at this view. Must races die out? So it is said. Why educate the Indian? they say; he cannot live in the face of civilization. Well, even so, if he cannot, it is worth while to educate him for the time he does live. I would rather have him die an intelligent and civilized Indian than an ignorant and brutal one. [Laughter and applause.] I do not believe, however, that inferior races must die at the approach of civilization. I know that as a matter of fact, some of them do. The Indians are certainly dying out, and it is said that the blacks must disappear also. Certainly, however, the process has not yet begun; and when the negro does disappear, he will go through the white race to do it. Annihilation will be by white steps. [Laughter.] But consider a moment in respect to this feeling. I do not believe, I say, that inferior races must necessarily die out when they come in contact with civilization. The gardener will tell you that it is not the cold of Winter nor the heat of Summer that kills his plants, but that it is in the Spring, when the heat is just coming and the cold is just going that the attrition occurs by which plants die. Now, it is where the rough edges of civilization and aspiring barbarism rub together that the Indian is ground to death. But I hold that the real tendency of civilization is to preserve and protect the weak, not to destroy, and that when civilization itself gets more fully rounded out into spiritual perfection, it will be to weak and inferior races not as a sword but as a shield. [Cheers.] For it is the instinct not only of civilization, but it is the instinct of the human soul, in its highest development, to take care, first, of those who are lowest and most needy; and as it is in civilized society, so it will yet be in the great society of races and peoples. It is to be remembered, however, that the susceptibilities of a race to education do not at all depend upon whether it perishes easily or not. I take the broad ground that there is no human being that is not susceptible of further development. Nay, even the aborted specimens of human life, the insane, and even idiots, have been shown by recent experience to be capable of education—in small measure, to be sure—yet enough to make it worth while to educate them. And if it be true in regard to these deformed ones, how much more widely is it true in regard to races and nationalities. It is of course true that susceptibility to being educated increases with education, and each successive generation has more of it than the generation preceding; but that is all. All men and races of men are susceptible of development, and I hold that the same natural law that redeemed our ancestors from barbarism will in due time bring up the African. But it is said you cannot find a single specimen of statesmanship or genius in the African race. Why, their turn has not come yet. You cannot, of course, find a specimen of pippins if you look for it upon the wilding of the woods; but if you take the best specimens of that wilding and plant them again, and take the best specimens of them and set them out again, in five generations you will have just as good apples out of the wilding as any in your orchard. There is no people, then, on the face of the globe that is not capable of education; and it is most important that we should know this great truth and remember it, and have such faith in it that we shall regard with a Christian indignation, (and that is a right good indignation, I can tell you,) the man who sneers at it and denies it. For we are the bazaar of the world, and specimens of all kinds of human nature are to be here exhibited. We are to absorb and mould to a higher civilization the people who come to us from all portions of the earth. On our western borders swarms the Chinaman. Shall he remain a Chinaman always? Is he not to be an educated American some day. And the Sandwich Islanders, who are among us, are they less susceptible to educational influences here than at home? Let us not be afraid to accept any people. Just put them into the cauldron and put the fire under, and see if they do not simmer and boil down just like ourselves. [Laughter.] America is to be the common school of the globe, and we are to rise above all those detestable prejudices that have so long been entertained here, that some men were born to be slaves of others. Since, then, the safety and progress of our mixed and free society depend so entirely upon the intelligence of the individuals composing it, that we must act upon the principle that all can be educated, and that there are none that it is not worth our while to educate. And now on this ground we propose to educate the ex-slaves; having no further use for titles they have laid them aside. They now appear before us as men, as citizens, and we claim this for them not because of their color or because they have suffered so much, but on the broad ground of humanity, the right to be educated; and we plead for it because it is a birth-right which no man can withhold from his fellow and not bring down upon himself the wrath of God. We plead for it because it is a birth-right which no man can withhold from his fellow and not bring down upon himself the wrath of God. We plead for the development of the black because he is susceptible of it; I go further; I think our civilization is to be indebted to him in the future, for not a few anti-friction elements which are greatly needed by the angular, intense and executive Yankee. And I am not ashamed to have it so. If God made the African he only did the same for me, and when I borrow from the African I borrow something that God thought of and made; and when I borrow from any race on the globe. I need not be ashamed, because it is not of the man but of the God that made it. How much do we owe to the German element, from which stock we remotely sprung, and how much, vexatious as they are, do we owe to the Irish? And let me say one word more in regard to this education of the black; I beseech you don't look at it as if it were a matter of pleasure, for you are not going to get through with this work in a hurry; education has got to be the mania for the next twenty-five or fifty years; we are to have revivals of religion, but I hope revivals of education too, and we have got to carry the line from State to State across the continent until it reaches the Pacific shore, and as it has been heretofore from the East to the West, so also it is to be from the North to the South. They don't like us. Then we will make them. We are lovely and we know it. [Laughter.] It is said that they take our schools, and schoolmasters and schoolmarms from necessity now, that they will vomit them up when they have got back their own autonomies. Let them. I am always hopeful when the light shines into the darkness and the darkness comprehendeth it not. That is gospel. But when the light shines into the darkness and there is nothing that stirs, it is because there is nothing but death. So it was with abolitionism. Find me the States that had most mobs and I will show you the States that are now most enthusiastically in favor of liberty. Every State that has not had mobs lags behind. You know how Massachusetts led WILLIAM LLOYD GARRISON through the streets with a rope round his neck. What is the feeling to-now on the subject? THEODORE WELD was egged throughout Ohio. How is Ohio now? There never was a mob in Indiana, and you know she came in only at the eleventh hour and is still lukewarm. In Illinois the martyred LOVEJOY spilled his blood, and Illinois stands now side by side with Ohio in the cause of freedom. Pennsylvania had only a little mob, and she is a hard State to drag along. New-York has had many, and New-York is now very civilized on questions of liberty. New-Jersey never had one at all. I wish she had had one or two. [Laughter.] And, now, on the subject of persecutions and suffering let me not be misunderstood; I would not court them; I would try to allay them; but whenever there comes such a real set conflict between conscience enlightened, love inflamed and intelligence in earnest as to kindle up the reactionary influences of ignorance, prejudice and hatred, don't stop it; in the name of God let the fight go on. And if there be found heroic witnesses to die, let them die, that their blood may be the seed of the Church. If there be found martyrs, bless God that there are men who are willing themselves to pass away that the State may live. And let me say to you, do not be alarmed when you hear that the work is going to stop; for as sure as He lives who guides the sun in its course through the heavens, shedding its light everywhere, it will never stop until it illuminates the whole continent. [Applause.] A single other point, and I will give way to others. It is this: We have not only to do this work, but we must do it right, and this is the only way we can do it philosophically, and so that it will stand. All other things intermediate are mere expedients until we can do this, or instruments for the accomplishment of this work of education. You may say, and some do say, give the slave his liberty; that is enough. Another says, give him his liberty and his rights before the law; give him his property; admit him into Court; let him plead and be impleaded, as white men are; give him all his civil rights. Others say give him suffrage. Others, give him land. I say, give him all these; but I say that you may give him suffrage and civic rights and land, yet without education he still lacks that vitalizing power which gives to all these their value and their fitness as instruments of development. And I say that when you have educated a man no laws or institutions can long keep him down; but on the other hand, you may heap privileges upon the outside of him, and though they will certainly improve his external condition, they will not touch the marrow of the matter. If we are going to raise these men to a position of equality with ourselves, we must make them really our equals; and this can only be done by education. The only means by which to bring them to this is the very means by which we can be better applied for their elevation, and it is worth while to do so whenever and however you can; but the great work is not done until you have educated them and made them intellectually and morally your equals; and then the work will be done so that nothing can undo it. And there is another motive. I look down this great race of ourcast, intimidated with regard to the exercise of reason and kindness with which we all ought to look upon children. They are our wards. 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LOCAL POLITICS.

Radical Judiciary Convention.

The Radical Republican Judiciary Convention met last evening at No. 600 Broadway. Chairman, Judge WILLIAM MITCHELL; Secretary, CHARLES B. STRONG, Esq. The Chairman stated that Mr. BRADFORD had declined the nomination for Surrogate, and that Mr. JOHN B. SEDGWICK having been requested, had accepted the nomination for Recorder. Mr. BUTTERBAND then moved that Gen. JOHN A. FOSTER be nominated for the office of Surrogate. The motion being seconded, he was nominated by acclamation. Gen. FOSTER, in response, said that although he might probably lose the election, yet he intended to do the best he could, as it would add strength to the soldiers' ticket, and he would therefore accept the nomination. The Convention then adjourned.

Regular Republican Nomination for Recorder.

The Regular Republican Judiciary Convention held an adjourned meeting on Tuesday, at headquarters, corner of Twenty-third-street and Broadway, and nominated JOHN SEDGWICK for Recorder.

Tammany Congressional Nomination.

The Tammany Hall Delegates to the Fifth Congressional District met last evening at the Essex House, on the corner of Grand and Essex streets, for the purpose of nominating a candidate to Congress on the informal ballot. JOHN MORRISSEY received 31 votes, and Col. SAMUEL LEVY received 9 votes. On motion the nomination of JOHN MORRISSEY was made unanimous.

Fourth Congressional District Democratic Union.

This Convention met last evening at No. 48 Madison-street, and nominated Col. M. W. BURNS for Congress, against JOHN FOX. Col. BURNS is an Irishman who has done his duty to this country, but who will notwithstanding poll a good Democratic vote.

Radical Republican Nomination.

In the First Assembly District the candidate is Mr. MICHAEL J. COWEN.

The Radical Republicans of the Fifth Congressional District have postponed their nomination until Monday evening next. It will take place at No. 274 Grand-street.

Regular Republican Nominations.

The Conservative Republicans of the Eighth Assembly District, comprising the Seventh, Eleventh and Thirteenth Wards, met last evening at the Clinton Gardens, in Clinton-street, and indorsed JACOB SIEBACHER, the nominee of Tammany Hall, as their candidate for Assembly!

The Fourth Congressional District Convention (Conservative Republican) met last evening at No. 143 Hudson-street and nominated for Congress Col. MICHAEL W. BURNS.

Radical Republican Association.

The Second Assembly District Radical Republican Association met last evening at No. 24 Duane-street. Mr. IMPE. C. WILLIAMS presided; Mr. GEORGE MCLAUGHLIN, Secretary. Routine business being transacted, the Association adjourned to Monday evening next. A public meeting will be held next Wednesday evening at No. 234 William-street. The meeting then adjourned.

Twentieth Ward Republican Club.

A large and enthusiastic meeting of Republicans was held in the hall of the Twentieth Ward Republican Club, corner of West Thirty-third-street and Eighth-avenue, last evening, Dr. A. WILDER presiding.

After brief and eloquent speeches by Col. TREMAIN and Mr. MCADAM, Hon. CHAUNCEY M. DEPEW was introduced and delivered a finished address, in which he reviewed the duties of the Republican Party during the war, since the war, and now. He assumed that we had got beyond the discussion of human rights, and the question of the hour was our national existence. Shall the nation live? He made a comparative analysis of the political career and professions of ANDREW JOHNSON, making quotations from the speeches at various times before he became President, and those which he had made since. Then he reviewed the conduct of the various Southern States which had undertaken to send their representatives to Congress, and described the men they sent as rebels—men who had fought the Union army in the field, or represented the Confederacy in the Richmond Congress. He said that Mr. JOHNSON's position still had not capacity sufficient to grind out the great number which he would fondly distribute, without discrimination, to rebels, whose hands were red with the blood of loyal men. Mr. JOHNSON wept over the "Arm-in-arm" Convention at Philadelphia, but shed not a tear over the butchered loyal men who met in Convention at New-Orleans. Mr. DEPEW was warmly applauded.

German Republican Mass Meeting at Thalia Theatre.

Long before the hour of commencement, last evening, the Thalia Theatre was crowded to its utmost capacity with a large gathering of the German Republicans of the City "Who favor the unconditional support of Congress, and the election of loyal men nominated at Syracuse." FREDERICK SCHUETZ, Esq., Chairman of the Central Campaign Committee, presided over the meeting. A series of resolutions condemning the course of President JOHNSON, and upholding the action of Congress in its demands upon the South for guarantees before their admission into the Union, were read and unanimously adopted, after which Gen. CARL SCHURZ and R. WEIL VON GERNSBACH addressed the audience upon the interesting political topics of the day; after which the meeting adjourned.

FIRES.

Large Fire in Hudson-street—Aggregate Loss About $20,000.

About 6:30 o'clock yesterday evening a fire broke out in the rear portion of the exchange office No. 663 Hudson-street, occupied by WM. FERGUSON. The flames spread rapidly and before the firemen could do much in the way they had extended to Nos. 661 and 665, and finally resulted in the entire building being completely destroyed. The building on Hudson-street is a two-story one and is owned by WM. COOPER, as is also a building fronting on Ninth-avenue. They were damaged to the extent of $10,000; insured for $2,400 in the People's Insurance Company.

Nos. 663 and 661 were occupied on the first floor by S. L. PETERS as a wheelwright and blacksmith shop, whose loss is $1,500; insured for $2,500 in the State Insurance Company. The upper part of No. 661 is occupied by PETER ETGER, boot and shoe maker, damage $700; insured for $400 in the Germania Insurance Company. The premises in rear of No. 661 were occupied by Mr. PARKER, ice dealer, whose loss is about $600; no insurance.

The adjoining building, No. 665, is the top floor by WM. FERGUSON as an exchange office; he sustains a loss of $300; no insurance. A portion of the first floor of No. 665 was occupied by ROBERT HILL as a candy store; damage $200; no insurance. The other moiety of No. 665 was occupied by JAS. O'DONNELL, liquor dealer, whose loss is about $1,000; no insurance.

The flames extended through to several buildings fronting on Ninth-avenue, causing considerable damage. Mrs. BYRNOWS, junk dealer, occupies No. 12, and her loss is comparatively slight, being mostly by water. No. 14 Ninth-avenue is occupied by JOHN SCHUBERTH as a blacksmith-shop; damage, $2,000; insured for $1,000 in the Merchant's. No. 16 is occupied by JAMES CONSIDINE as a livery stable, and he sustains but slight damage.

No. 18, the last part of No. 16 Ninth-avenue is occupied by EDWARD FRIAL as a wheelwright and blacksmith shop. His damage is about $1,000, covered by insurance in the Market Insurance Company. The origin of the fire is at present unknown. The Police Reserves from the Ninth, Fifteenth, Sixteenth, Twentieth, Twenty-second and Twenty-eighth Precincts were present on the ground, and did good service under command of Capt. REMURRE. The upper floors of both buildings were occupied by poor families, who lost all their furniture and effects.

Fire in Tammany Hotel.

At 3:30 P. M. yesterday a fire broke out in the store-room of the Tammany Hotel, but was soon extinguished, resulting in a loss of $50; covered by insurance. The fire originated from a defective flue.

Fire in West Broadway.

At 9:30 o'clock last night a fire broke out at No. 52 West Broadway, occupied by three colored families. The loss on building is about $100. Covered by insurance. The damage sustained by the tenants is slight; no insurance. The fire is supposed to be of incendiary origin.

THE TURF.

The Great Trotting Match To-Day.

The trotting match for $2,000, between the two celebrated fast mares, *Lady Thorn* and *Lady Emma*—mile heats, best three in five, to wagons—comes off this afternoon on the Union Course, Long Island. This is the most important trotting contest of the season, and is certain to attract a very large attendance, as the contestants are regarded as the two best wagon horses in the country. *Lady Emma* recently beat the famous stallion *George Wilkes*, whose wagon time, 2:25, is the best on the record. *Lady Thorn* is the only horse that ever beat the renowned *Dexter*, and although she was defeated last Fall by *George Wilkes* in their wagon race, yet she retrieved her laurels by beating him easily in harness. The stallion is also matched against time on the same course, his trainer having staked $500 to $1,000 that he can beat his previous recorded time, 2:25 to wagon, in three trials. This match will come off between the heats trotted by *Lady Thorn* and *Lady Emma*. All who wish to see a most interesting and memorable race should visit the Union Course to-day.

OUT-DOOR SPORTS.

Base Ball.

GRAND MATCH TO-DAY AT THE UNION GROUNDS—EUREKA VS. ATLANTIC.

The home-and-home game of this match will be played to-day at the Union Grounds, Williamsburgh. Extensive preparations have been made to accommodate the large crowd that will undoubtedly be present to witness this game. The ball-field has been enlarged, and will now compare favorably with any similar place in the country. Inspector FOLK will have charge of the Police arrangements, and a large force from the different precincts of the Eastern District will be present. The game will be called at 1:30 o'clock, and if both Clubs are on hand in time, it should be finished between 4 and 5 o'clock. The interest in this game has somewhat increased since the defeat of the champions in Philadelphia, and the betting is quite brisk—the Atlantics, as usual, being the favorites.

Extensive Se